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A WIFE'S DEVOTION.

SELLS HER JEWELRY TO PROVE HER HUSBAND'S INNOCENCE.

An Innocent Man Suffers While the Guilty One Travels—General Dispatches from Everywhere—The Present Situation in Ireland—Indignant Newfoundlanders.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—A Sun special from Pittsburg says that Frank B. Alderich and his wife met at Riverside penitentiary, in this city, to-day, under touching circumstances. Alderich was sent to prison last November for eight years on a charge of having buncoed an old man named Lemon out of $5000. He was arrested at Windsor, Ont. His wife was possessed of about $8000. She was firm in her belief that her husband was innocent. She is one of the McLeans, of Ohio, and is a relative of John R. McLean, of the Cincinnati Enquirer. Mrs. Alderich is looking all over the country, procuring evidence and enlisting in her cause prominent men. She enlisted the sympathies and powers of Senators Quay and Ingalls. She went from city to city. Her money failed but she sold her jewelry. The result was she proved a case of mistaken identity so strong that the pardon was granted. She received a letter from Governor Davis yesterday stating that the pardon would be sent to the warden of the Riverside prison to-day. Mrs. Alderich was at the penitentiary bright and early this morning. She was about half way up the long stone steps leading toward the warden's office, when she noticed a man coming towards her with his head bowed down. At first she did not recognize him but a moment later he raised his head. It was her husband. It has been found that the real bunco man has been in Europe several times since committing the crime.

Senator Hearst's Health.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The Herald's special from Washington, says that Senator Hearst is better this evening than he has been for several days. No one but his nurse is permitted in his room. He is a very sick man, but his physician feels greatly encouraged by his patient's favorable symptoms to-day.

Frightful Explosion.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—A Sun's special from Newport, Ark., says that at an early hour this morning a terrific boiler explosion occurred at Kelly & Wells' lumber mill, on the Black river, forty miles from here. Only two men were in the saw mills and 6 on the lower deck of a steamer. The others were at breakfast. The engineer, Wiley Sloan, and John Angus were standing in front of the boiler, which was carrying about 90 pounds of steam when the explosion took place. Angus was blown against the lumber heap, breaking his limbs and tearing away a portion of his skull. No traces of the body of Sloan, the engineer, can be found. A large section of the boiler was shot through the iron roof, then through the Texas deck of the steamer Golden Gate, moored near by, then across the river one hundred yards wide. The dead are John Angus, superintendent, and Wiley Sloan, engineer. The wounded are not expected to live. Maude West is frightfully scalded, and Wm. Durgens both legs broken in several places and badly scalded. Four others were injured, but not dangerously.

A Will Forger.

PORTLAND, Dec. 26.—Captain William McDonald was arrested here this evening on a charge of forgery. He is accused of forging a will in Lancaster, England, recently, under the name of George Brooks, by which he came into possession of a considerable sum of money. He afterwards came to America. McDonald makes a general and specific denial of the charge. He says he has not been in England for six years, and was never in Lancaster; that he never heard of George Brooks, and did not sign that name to a will or any other document. He claims that he fought in the war of the rebellion and has a good record. He says he can prove an alibi, as he was in this State the time the alleged forgery was committed. He had just returned from Seattle when the arrest was made. McDonald has been in business here several months. McDonald has been arrested here before several times on different charges.

The Dude Tramp.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The World's special from Lima, Ohio, says: Thomas Creamer, known as "Gentleman Thomas," the dude tramp, was here today. He says that Wm. Austin, a wealthy resident of Boston, Mass., offered him $50,000 if he would beat his way from Boston to San Francisco and back on passenger trains in 21 days, starting and returning without a cent. A letter was written to a gentleman in San Francisco, enclosing Creamer's photo, which he is to get and return with. Creamer left Boston Dec. 22. He arrived here on the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne & Chicago railway and left over the same road on the following train, after begging his lunch. Creamer is 19 years old.

A Traveling Prince.

BOMBAY, Dec. 26.—Advices describe the arrival of the czarwich in this city. He was received with the honors due to his imperial position. Col. Gerard, of the vice-royal court, and Captain Grover and Lieut. Newman being added to the prince's staff, to accompany him throughout his journey in India. A grand welcome is in preparation for the czarwich at Hyderabad. He will also be received at Calcutta, and after visiting Madras and other places, will embark on the Russian flagship at Mysore for Ceylon, en route for China.

Offered a Throne.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Count Franz Von Sickkengen of Vienna, who was recently arrested on a charge of defrauding a widow out of 18,000 florins, all she had, on pretext that he was the Russian candidate for the Bulgarian throne, and would make her daughter a princess, has presented the extraordinary defence that he was actually approached by high Russian authority with a proposal to become the Prince of Bulgaria, provided the Austrian court would consent to the removal of Prince Ferdinand. The count is of a distinguished ancestry, and his case arouses much attention.

CAPITAL NOTES.

J. A. Thompson Officially Appointed Inspector of Boilers.

OTTAWA, Dec. 24.—John Alexander Thompson has been officially appointed inspector of boilers and machinery for British Columbia, vice W. A. Russell.

THE IRISH QUESTION.

Davitt Denies that Priests Intimidated Voters.

DUBLIN, Dec. 24.—At a meeting of the McCarthyite committee to-day Davitt denied that the priests had used intimidating tactics in North Kilkenny. Healy said the league funds in Ireland were overdrawn to the extent of £2000, as the bulk of the money was locked up in Paris. Healy added that a compromise arrangement between Parnell and his opponents was out of the question, and that the latter would fight to beat Parnell on every platform. Healy also said that had Scully won he would have been unseated, owing to bribery and corruption by his political agents, who expended in the campaign £1000 more than the legal allowance. Healy declared his belief that secret service money had been spent in Kilkenny to widen the split in the Irish party.

Parnell said to-day that he would go from here to Paris to offer congratulations to O'Brien on the success of the latter's mission to America. In regard to himself he said he would not recede one inch from his position. After his return from France he proposed to resume the campaign, beginning at Limerick.

United Ireland, referring to the election in North Kilkenny, says Kilkenny has declared for Gladstone against Parnell. The battle was fought with every weapon that hatred, malice, ingratitude and treachery could supply. Behind the mutineers were the priests, eager to regain the power Parnell secured for Ireland ten years ago. They sanctioned methods of warfare hitherto unused, and open fighting was supplemented by secret intimidation. But although the combination secured the victory at Kilkenny, it must be remembered that Kilkenny is not Ireland. They shall be forced to renew the wager of battle at every spot on Irish soil, from the center to the sea.

The Freeman's Journal says that Parnell starts for Paris to-night to meet his trusty lieutenant, William O'Brien. Parnell according to the Journal, refuses to believe that the friendly conference between O'Brien and himself will be barren of results until they definitely fail to establish a modus vivendi.

NEWFOUNDLANDERS HOSTILE.

Furious Indignation of the People—Tall Talk Indulged in.

HALIFAX, Dec. 25.—Papers from Newfoundland represent the people of that land as being in a furious state of indignation over the official announcement that the modus vivendi between England and France is to be extended another year, and that meanwhile England has undertaken to effect a settlement with or without the assent of the Newfoundland parliament. The colonists denounce Knutsford's dispatch as the most namby-pamby state paper ever issued from the colonial office.

The Times advocates transfer of the colony to France. A writer in the Herald says: "We are determined that only one flag shall fly over Newfoundland, and that flag will be the stars and stripes, if England does not do her duty. There is a movement on foot in connection with this matter that will startle the people when parliament meets."

Discussing the situation the official organ of ex-Premier Sir Robert Thorborn, Sir James Winter and other Opposition leaders, says: "We are struggling now for emancipation from the slavery under which we have groaned half a century, and nothing can be more exasperating than Great Britain's temporizing policy. What can avert bloodshed next spring, now that this new attempt is made to prolong the period of our slavery? Where shall we find a man who will preach peace and forbearance to his fellow countrymen? It smites us with shame even here in the colonies, to hear the British minister proclaim that the Imperial Government will permit France to enforce upon British subjects an interpretation of treaty rights which is at direct variance with that held by Great Britain. If peace has been preserved between the two nations, it has been at the expense of the honor of Great Britain, but the people of Newfoundland have done with submission. Their patience is exhausted. They have lost confidence in the good faith of the British ministry. In spite of Lord Knutsford's assertion that the settlement of our difficulties now rests with the Imperial Government, Newfoundland will find a way of settling these matters after her own wishes. We shall persist in managing our own affairs in our own fashion, free from the dictation of the Imperial authorities, and subject only to acts of our own parliament. We have suffered too many wrongs from Great Britain to permit her now to either coerce, rebuke or counsel to stifle that agitation on which depends our only hope of freedom.

The paper proceeds to declare that no arrangement entered into between Great Britain and France will be assented to by the Newfoundland parliament.

The Herald declares that the people will defend their rights and franchises alike against the Imperial Government, the Queen's naval officers, and the subjects of France. Never before in this country in any British colony were the people so excited or was there such defiant language indulged in against the Imperial Government.

A COWARDLY ASSASSIN.

DAVID F. FEE, JR., SHOT DEAD ON BLANCHARD STREET.

Victorians Startled by a Midnight Murder—A Popular Young Man the Victim—The Murderer Gives Himself Up to the Police—The Inquest Held To-day.

"It's only someone celebrating Christmas eve," was the answer given to a query as to the cause of the gun report heard about midnight Christmas eve in the vicinity of the Roman Catholic cathedral. The worshippers at midnight mass heard it and looked askance at each other. What could it mean? Someone suggested the above answer, several people accepted it as the possible truth and so they proceeded with their devotions. Others more curious to know the actual cause went outside and beheld a spectacle which put horror into their minds in place of the feeling of piety which they entertained in the church.

Stretched on the muddy footpath was David F. Fee, jr., on the point of death, after having flooded with his life's blood a large portion of the ground on which he lay. "What is the matter?" was the horrified question asked of the wounded man's companion, Frank Partridge. Mr. Fee, it seems, came down from Nanaimo that afternoon to spend the Christmas season with his parents here. He went to a social in Philharmonic hall where there was quite a number of ladies and gentlemen bent on enjoyment. His love of fun and his good spirits never allowed him to lose any pleasure, and his popularity ensured it for him wherever he went. He was with the party till about midnight, when with Frank Partridge and three ladies he started out for church. They had some fun on the way, as young people will. David was dressed in a striped coat which he had worn to wait on the ladies at table, and was blowing a fish horn which hung by a thread round his neck. The ladies were the Misses Deasy and Miss Smith. The two gentlemen left them at the church door, wishing them a happy Christmas and asking them to return to the social after service. Fee and Partridge then made their way back to the hall. Phelan, who shot him, was seen a short time before standing at the southwest corner of View and Blanchard streets with an umbrella and a gun, and when Fee came up Phelan said something about a challenge, and immediately fired.

A SAD SPECTACLE.

The wounded man was soon carried to Philharmonic Hall, where the social was still in progress, and laid carefully in one of the rooms. There was still some life left, but he never spoke. The clothing was cut away and disclosed an ugly gunshot wound in the left side. Mrs. Fee, his mother, was in church, and had the terrible news broken to her as gently as possible by Chief Deasy, who escorted her to her dying son. The picture in that cheerless room was a sad one. There lay poor Dave, the favorite of all the boys, in the last agonies, his blood gushing out of his side; his brother and mother kneeling there, helpless, to save him but doing all that affectionate tenderness could do to ease the last moments of brother and son. Drs. Helmcken and Duncan were not at home, but when Dr. Garrow was called he immediately got up and went—too late, though, to be of any assistance.

Chief Sheppard was in church, and immediately instituted a search of the adjacent cottages with driver McDougall of the fire department. In the fifth one from Blanchard street they found a shotgun under the table with one barrel empty, and some cartridges on the wall. While they were searching the house Joseph Silk, a workman on the building, came and tried the front door. He was taken inside and asked what he knew of the matter. He denied having anything to do with it. Phelan, he said, had brought in a shotgun shortly before, and putting it up against the wall, told him (Silk) that he (Phalen) had shot a man. Silk put the gun under the table and told Phelan "to give himself up." Silk was in the meantime kept in custody.

THE CROWD TALKED OF LYNCHING.

As soon as Fee's death was announced outside Philharmonic Hall, there were threatening signs among the crowd, which looked bad for the man who caused the death of Fee. There were distinct threats of lynching. But Phelan had in the meantime gone down to the police station. There was a crowd round there, and by its behaviour, he didn't deem it safe to risk making himself known. He came back shortly afterwards and seeing officer Irving go up to bed he followed and surrendered. He was taken down to the station where he made a confession and was locked up. As he was placed in the cell he commenced singing. Yesterday morning he refused breakfast, and was taken to the jail for safer keeping.

McDonald, foreman of the carpentry work on the cathedral, says he had supper with Phelan at six o'clock that evening, and was apparently sober. Phelan was a very irritable party, would flare up at the least thing. If only a piece of mortar or brick fell from the building near him he would accuse some one of throwing it at him. At 6.30 o'clock McDonald passed the building and saw Phelan with the gun. He told him it was not necessary in this country to carry a gun in that way, but was told by Phelan "never to mind, but just come round here by and by and you'll see what I want it for." It was not customary to put a watchman on the building, but it was thought safer to take precautions on Christmas eve when so many people were out. As usual, the electric light was out.

A green sash and a constitution of the Y. M. I., were found in the house with the gun, but the sash and constitution belonged to Silk, who is a member of the Seattle Institute. The gun was borrowed from Mr. Joseph Wrigglesworth.

WHOSE NEMESIS WAS HE?

There are several theories as to whom he intended to kill, but they are very conflicting. One of them is that he meant to kill Chief Deasy, and the foundation for the rumor dates from the laying of the corner stone of the cathedral. The Y. M. Institute undertook the decorations, and before daylight on the day of the ceremony there was found over the derrick holding up the stone, an American flag with a piece of green silk. It was taken down and the Dominion flag, with the of St. Andrew's put up. These were taken down and replaced by the previous adornments but only to be again pulled down. Later on Phelan was seen coming along with the rejected decorations; he insisted upon putting them up but was not allowed. Some rough language was used at the time and Phelan was very much excited. He has appeared spiteful ever since. Chief Deasy walked along the place where the shooting took place, five minutes before, and saw a man somewhat like Phelan, but was not molested though eyed keenly.

MISTOOK HIS MAN.

It is generally thought that the affair is a case of mistaken identity; and that if Phelan was waiting for anyone, he evidently mistook Fee for that person. It is evident, from all records of Fee's conduct, that no provocation was given for the deed; because Fee was a good-natured, good-humored and harmless man, who would not interfere with anyone.

Phelan never saw Fee probably in his life before, because Phelan is a late arrival here about whom little is known, beyond the fact that he was of a violent quarrelsome temper.

David Fee, who was only 29 years old, was a member of the uniform rank K. of P., and past chancellor of the Far West Lodge Knights of Pythias. He was also a member of the Young Men's Institute, and a popular one. His connection with the fire department dates from the time when he was but eighteen years of age. He has filled the offices of foreman in the engine company in the volunteer department, and left it for the Tiger hose company till he left Victoria for East Wellington. There is not a man in the entire department who has not a good word to say in his favor.

THE INQUEST OPENED.

At 2 o'clock this afternoon Coroner Morrison and a jury composed of the following gentlemen held an inquest into cause of the death: Messrs. J. M. Crimp, foreman, T. J. Burnes, W. Munsie, R. Hall, H. Jewell and P. Brown.

Mr. G. G. Gwynne, deputy attorney-general, appeared and watched the proceedings on behalf of the crown. The prisoner was unrepresented. The charge of wilful murder was read over to Phelan, who nodded his head and took the whole matter very coolly. The court-room was crowded with spectators, a great interest being manifested in the case. At the hour of going to press the inquest was still in progress, but nothing was adduced in the evidence further than appears above.

THE FUNERAL.

The remains of the late Mr. Fee will be buried on Sunday at 2 o'clock, and as the deceased was a great favorite there will be a large attendance. The Knights of Pythias, Y.M.I. and the Victoria firemen will gather to pay a last tribute to the memory of a companion and friend.

European Gossip.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—The Russian minister of finance has decided to spend a large sum of money improving and enlarging the port of Archangel, with a view to increasing the Russian commerce of the northern coast of Siberia and European Russia.

The Portuguese government has shrewdly granted valuable concessions in the disputed territory of Mozambique, South Africa, to an English company, which is actively campaigning in London on behalf of Portuguese claims against the British South Africa Co.

A dispatch from Paris states that a petition largely signed has been transmitted by the Spanish government in favor of a young Frenchman, convicted some years ago of murder, and who after escaping from the penal settlement at Cayenne and taking refuge in Spain, was betrayed by a lawyer to whom he went for advice.

The two branches of Italian socialists, the extreme and the moderate, have sent large delegations of their members to Switzerland to discuss the question of adopting a common programme. The leaders of both factions are convinced that the lamentable industrial situation in Italy at the present moment renders this a favorable time to enter upon an active propaganda of socialistic doctrines, and they are seeking to bring about unity in the ranks as the first step towards a campaign of that character.

The Italians of Dalamata have made an energetic protest against the incorporation of that province with Croatia. They fear that such a transfer would the chances of their being re-united to Italy as a result of the irredentist movement.

"John," said the Rev. Mr. Goodman to his hired man, "are you a Christian?"

"Why—er—no, sir," replied John.

"Do you ever swear?"

"I—I'm sometimes a little keerless like in my talk."

"I am sorry, John," rejoined Mr. Goodman. "But we will converse about this some other time. I wish you would take this money and settle this bill of $4 for thawing out a water pipe, and talk to the man in a careless kind of way as if it were your own bill."

If you have a Cold, use Langley's Balsam of Aniseed.

Gents' Furnishings.

Go to R. J. Matthews, merchant tailor, for gents' furnishings. No. 101 Douglas street.

THE FLOOR-WALKER.

His Lot Is Not as Easy as Is Generally Supposed

Duties of the Man Who Meets You at the Entrance to Every Dry-Goods Store—A Calling That Requires a Cool and Diplomatic Head.

"A man needs to be something of a judge of human character, something a little above the average, to thoroughly fulfill the duties of a floor-walker," said one of those tireless beings who stand in the front of all large stores and answer innumerable questions all day to a Chicago News reporter.

"Yes, I feel safe in saying that a man has to possess more than ordinary intelligence to be a competent floor-walker. Every man can't do it. It takes years of the hardest kind of work to acquire that insight into the business that will make a man almost unerring in his judgments of men, goods and prices. And such a knowledge must the floor-walker have if he aims to satisfactorily perform his work. He must have at his tongue's end the exact location of every department of the store, no matter how vast the emporium may be. He must be able at a glance to determine the correct value of goods sold, and, without hesitation, be able to settle disputes. Such are the incidents which make up the day in the life of the average floor-walker.

"A floor-walker's position," continued he, "seems to the unobservant to be a nice one indeed. The crowds notice the well-dressed men standing around giving directions here and there, and apparently enjoying rather an easy time compared to the clerks. That is as far as the observance of the crowd goes, and, as is usually the case with opinions formed by the public, is incorrect. They don't see the daily hardships and trials we are compelled to endure, the actual work we do, and the responsibility that rests upon us. Overlooking the hard things, they see us as we occasionally stand on a dull day having nothing to do, and foolishly imagine that that is a fair example of the way we work.

"The average floor-walker is an ordinary sort of person. Commencing life probably as a cash-boy, he has, by assiduous application to work, raised himself to something better. But he has spent years in the business, and knows nothing else. Commencing work at eight a. m. and finishing at six p. m., he finds the day long enough. He has many things to look after, and, if he attends to his duties, is thoroughly tired out when night comes. Let me show you what a head floor-walker has to do. He has charge of the cash-boys—no light work, that. He hires and discharges them, and is supposed to attend to them properly. Besides this he must stand at the head of the aisle or floor where he is placed and direct customers to any department they may ask for. This necessitates the floor-walker being thoroughly acquainted with the entire location of the house.

"Then he must, in a sort of way, be the head of the department in which he is placed. It is true the clerks are not under him, but he is, nevertheless, supposed to keep an eye upon them. If a customer is not being waited upon he is to see that she is attended to as soon as possible. Very often a disagreeable person will insist on getting into a row with the clerk over the sale of some article. The floor-walker is supposed to be diplomatic enough to settle the affair up without letting it go any further. Suppose the row is about the price of some article. The floor-walker must be discreet enough to make a satisfactory arrangement without hurting the interests of the house or losing the customer. It is the floor-walker who is appealed to in all such cases, and he must be able at all times, no matter what may be the trouble, to afford a solution of the problem. And then, sometimes a clerk will become impudent to a customer, and it is then the duty of the floor-walker to report the clerk to the manager. If he fails in this and the customer makes the complaint the floor-walker is held responsible. So it goes, one thing and another, to keep the floor-walker's wits active.

"One of the greatest tests that marks the successful floor-walker is his thorough knowledge of business. That is, in every sense of the term. Beyond fulfilling the duties assigned him he should be a practical business man, and act just as though it was his own store and he was doing all he could to promote the growth and welfare of the concern. He must be thoroughly acquainted with the prices of any thing in his department, and able to tell at a glance whether or not the clerk is dealing fairly with the customer and the house. Now, for instance, this cash-boy brings me this pair of gloves that has just been sold; I will sign the check, and then the money, gloves and check will be sent to the wrapping counter. It was my business to know positively before I signed that check that the proper amount had been charged for that pair of gloves.

"This is a business that requires a cool head, a mind adapted to business, and nothing else. If the floor-walker attends to his business he picks up a list of acquaintances that are invaluable to him. He should be able to have his particular customers, and be able to recognize them when he sees them. These are the points which constitute a good floor-walker."

A Rat Sacrifices a Leg.

A rat got caught by the leg in a store and squealed loudly for mercy, says a Maine exchange. The proprietor of the store watched the rat, which continued to squeal. Finally another rat crept cautiously out and walked up to his unfortunate companion and evidently took the situation in, for they seemed to talk with each other and arrived at the conclusion that the captured rat's chances were desperate, for the second one began to gnaw the unfortunate rat's leg off, allowing it to escape, which it did, limping away on three legs, the other leg remaining in the trap. It almost seemed as if they had deliberated over the case and had reached the only possible means of escape.

WRITTEN EXCUSES.

Funny Items from the Scrap-Book of a School-Teacher.

I once taught a country school in the backwoods, writes J. L. Harbour in Wide Awake, and as was the custom then, I required a written excuse when pupil was absent for one or more days. Some of these excuses I have kept and they afford me a deal of amusement after all the years that have come and gone since then.

Here is an excuse brought one day by a tall, red-haired boy of seventeen:

"Dere Sir—Please to eggeuce Henry for absents yisterday. We made sourkrout and he had to tromp it down. Also he had to Help bucher 2 pigs.

"Respeckful yuers. His pap."

"Did your father write this excuse himself?" I asked.

"No, sir," replied Henry, "I writ it for him 'cause he can't spell very good."

I am glad to add that Henry's spelling improved while I had him in charge. Another boy brought me this excuse:

"Kind Teacher: Ab could not come yesterday on account of tearing his pants very bad just before starting, so it took me most all day to mend them up."

A boy of about ten years who had been absent two weeks brought me the following:

"John Henry had a soar tow, allso a soar throte and a soar finger. Please egscuse."

A girl of about fourteen whose mother affected a degree of culture and great mental superiority over her neighbors, brought me the following note:

"Dear Sir: I trust you will pardon Alcione's wholly unavoidable absence yesterday. Circumstances are not always controllable by our finite minds, as you are no doubt aware. We are all subject to immutable laws and are constantly doing what we would not—alas! Therefore Alcione's unavoidable failure to attend yesterday's session. I trust I may not soon have to indite a similar unexpected circumstance. Believe me to be

"Yours truly and respectfully,
ANASTASIA C. H—."

Simpler and more directly to the point was the excuse brought me by a tow-headed little girl of about eight years, whose mother wrote:

"Phoebe could not be there or she would of went. I thought she et too much sossage for breakfast. She shan't do it agen. Please excuse her."

A boy of sixteen who came very irregularly always brought this excuse from his father:

"Excooze Bill."

That was all there was of it, but as I knew it came from his father I always "excoozed Bill" accordingly.

A DIGNIFIED PORTER.

Wonderful Check of One of Duke Pullman's Colored Noblemen.

A gentleman who was traveling on a sleeping-car, and who was to alight at about three in the morning, says the Boston Courier, gave the porter explicit directions to wake him at the proper time, and went to sleep. About midnight the porter came and aroused him.

"Excuse me, sah," the porter said, "but I forgut whare you's goin' to get off."

The passenger, not much pleased at this interruption, repeated his directions, and then again addressed himself to sleep. He slept until a few minutes of the arrival of the train at the point where he was to stop, when he fortunately awoke. Looking at his watch he discovered that he had barely time to get dressed, and he scrambled into his clothes with a celerity which saved him from missing his station, all the time saying to himself things concerning the porter which were by no means complimentary to that individual.

As the train drew into the station, where is made a stop of only a moment, the gentleman hurried out of the car, and as he did so he passed the porter sound asleep on a seat in the smoking-room. With a poke of his valise the passenger awakened him.

"I say," he demanded, "why didn't you call me as I told you to? I came very near sleeping over."

The porter draw himself up with sleepy dignity, suppressing a yawn, and rubbing his eyes open.

"On dis car," he returned, with the air of one who has been grossly insulted, "dar ain't none of the passengers 'lowed to wake up the porter, an' you'll have to wait till dis individual wakes up of himself before you can get any such question answered."

With perfect coolness he laid himself down again, and the passenger hurried out of the car without waiting to continue the conversation.

AN EXCITING ADVENTURE.

A Practical Joke Which Might Easily Have Ended in a Tragedy.

For myself, I was "chopped down" once, and once only, writes Charles G. D. Roberts, in St. Nicholas. It happened in this way. In the midwinter of 1879, I had occasion to visit the chief camp of the Little Madawaska. Coming from the city, and to a camp where I was a stranger to all the men, I was not unnaturally regarded as a pronounced specimen of the greenhorn. I took no pains to tell any one what the boss already well knew, that is, that I had been a frequenter of the camps from my boyhood. Many and many a neat trap was laid for my apparently "tender" feet, but I avoided them all as if by accident. As for climbing a tree, I always laughed at the idea when it was proposed to me: I always suggested that it might spoil my clothes. Before long the men, by putting little things together, came to the conclusion that I was an old stager, and rather abruptly, they gave over their attempts to entrap me. Then I graciously waved my hand, as it were, and was frankly received as a veteran, cleared from every suspicion of being green.

At last the day came when I *did* wish to climb a tree. The camp was on a high plateau, and not far off towered a magnificent pine tree, growing out of the summit of a knoll, in such a way as to command all the surrounding country. Its branches were phenomenally thick; its girth of trunk was magnificent. And this tree I resolved one day to climb, in order to get a clear idea of the lay of the land. Of course I strolled off surreptitiously, and, as I thought, unwatched. But there I was much mistaken. No sooner was I two-thirds of the way up the tree than, with shouts of laughter, the lumbermen rushed out of the surrounding cover and proceeded to chop me down. The chance was too good for them to lose.

I concealed my annoyance, and made no attempt to descend. On the contrary I thanked them for the little attention, and climbed a few feet further up, to secure a position which I saw would be a safe one for me when the tree should fall. As I did so, I perceived, with a gasp and a tremor, that I was not alone in the tree.

There, not ten feet above me, stretched at full length along a large branch, was a huge panther, glaring with rage and terror. From the men below his form was quite concealed. Glancing restlessly from me to my pursuers, the brute seemed uncertain just what to do. As I carefully refrained from climbing any further up and tried to assume an air of not having observed him, he apparently concluded that I was not his worst enemy. In fact, I dare say he understood what was going on and realized that he and I were fellow-sufferers.

I laughed softly to myself as I thought how my tormentors would be taken aback when that panther should come down among them. I decided that, considering their numbers, there would be at least no more danger for them than that to which they were exposing me in their reckless fooling. And, already influenced by that touch of nature which makes us so wondrous kind, I began to hope that the panther would succeed in making his escape.

The trunk of the pine was so thick that I might almost have reached the ground before the choppers could cut it through. At last it gave a mighty shudder and sagged to one side. I balanced myself nimbly on the upper side, steadying myself by a convenient branch. The great mass of foliage, presenting a wide surface to the air, made the fall a comparatively slow one; but the tremendous sweep of the draught upward, as the tree-top described its gigantic arc, gave me a sickening sensation. Then came the final dull and thunderous crash, and—in an instant, I found myself standing in my place, jarred but unhurt, with the snow threshed up all about me.

The next instant there was another roar, or rather a sort of screaming yell, overwhelming the riotous laughter of the woodsmen; and out of the confusion of pine-boughs shot the tawny form of the panther in a whirlwind of fury. One of the choppers was in his path, and was bowled over like a clumsy nine-pin. The next bound brought the beast on to the backs of a yoke of oxen, and his cruel claws severely scratched the oxen's necks. As the poor animals bellowed and fell on their knees, the panther paused, with some idea, apparently, of fighting the whole assembled party. But as the men, recovered from their first amazement, rushed with their axes to the rescue of the oxen, the panther saw that the odds were all against him. He turned half round and greeted his enemies with one terrific and strident snarl, then bounded off into the forest at a pace which made it idle to pursue him. The owner of the oxen hurled an axe after him, but the missile flew wide of its mark.

The Bees Were Victorious.

A party of hunters near Centerville, Md., were pursuing a fox, when the hard-pressed creature took refuge in a hollow tree. Axes were procured and the tree felled, when the hunters were surprised to find that the fox had been stung to death by bees while they were felling the tree. Pulling the fox out the bees attacked and routed the hunters, some of them being badly stung.

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DIAMONDS ON DISPLAY.

Washington Ladies Wear Them on All Occasions.

The Blue-White Brilliant Is the Most Fashionable Gem at the Present Time—Extravagance in Hair Ornaments and Necklaces.

Three fifths of the diamonds of the United States are owned by New York and Washington leaders of society, says the Washington Post. Diamonds are worth more to-day than they have been in a long while. In the past four months the finer qualities have advanced nearly twenty-five per cent., owing to the manipulations of a London trust, which governs the African and India mines.

American women wear their diamonds at certain social gatherings and the opera with less fear perhaps than the ladies of any other nationality. There is always something about an American-born woman showing her free and fearless-going way in life, which is remarkably noticeable, and particularly when seen in any other country. Leading Washington society women go about covered with diamonds and other precious gems. The fashion in diamonds is constantly changing. The taste of Americans is becoming highly educated upon precious gems, and their purchases embrace the finest that the market affords. In the wonderful collection of diamonds and other precious gems of Mrs. Leland Stanford, Mrs. Senator Hearst, Mrs. Morton, wife of Vice-President Morton, and Mrs. Jones, of Nevada, it is observed that the time has arrived when large pieces or designs are in vogue.

Wearing diamonds is an art. At present it is considered perfectly proper and correct to surround the neck with one or more necklaces of diamonds or several strings of pearls with one handsome diamond necklace, from which there should be a pendant. The center stone of this pendant should be a gem of any other color or nature, either a ruby, emerald, sapphire, black pearl or a canary diamond of unquestionable color, encircled or ornamentally surrounded by blue-white brilliants.

The latter is a stone which is growing very fashionable, and any private collection without this beautiful diamond is not up to date. The decoration of the wrist should consist of a bracelet with a center stone surrounded by smaller diamonds. On the left wrist a collection of bracelets is in order, to entirely surround the wrist or only half way, and consisting of diamonds, rubies, emeralds and sapphires. Care should always be taken that the bracelets are mounted so that they lay close to each other to form a small cuff.

It is the correct thing at large dinners or other state occasions to wear as many rings as a lady may feel inclined to, or her parure of jewels will permit, on both hands. There was an idea that the thumb ring would become fashionable, but that seems to have passed. Hair ornaments are becoming more extravagant in their designs all the time, as it is one of the most conspicuous places to display a handsome star or sunburst, or a grand and imposing tiara of diamonds.

A very beautiful effect is produced by wearing a number of small brooches around the edge of a decollete. Leaders of fashion in the precious gems should always bear in mind to wear stones that harmonize in color with their style of dress. A lady wearing white or black has the advantage over those wearing bright and fancy colors, as her jewels need not consist entirely of one kind.

Cutting diamonds is one thing in which this country is ahead of any other nation. It has been made a close study and without doubt is an art. There is more beauty and brilliancy obtained from the American cut diamond than the diamond which is cut in Holland and has what is called the "old Dutch cut," and usually is found to be of a somewhat square shape, rather irregular and many small facets. Americans cut them perfectly round and with only sixty-four fascets to the table.

A great many heavy purchasers of diamonds and the general public labor under the impression that diamonds are purchased cheaper in London or Paris than here. This is not the case, the greatest and the cheapest diamond market of the world to-day being New York City.

The finest diamonds and the largest collections are owned by the different courts of Europe, and many of these stones are of such enormous size that they can not be displayed to any advantage upon the person of a handsome woman. There is no particular beauty connected with them, and what makes them so prominent is their overestimated value and size.

VEGETABLE IVORY.

The Source and Use of a Queer-Looking Tropical Nut.

On the Atlantic docks in Brooklyn a few days ago, a reporter of the New York Evening Post picked up a queer-looking nut. In size it might be compared with a walnut, though it was somewhat larger; but in shape it was very different, being not round, but flat on several sides. It differed also from the walnut in the surface of its shell, which resembled the chestnut's in color, but not so smooth; and it differed still more in the substance of its shell, which offered only a moderate resistance to the point of a penknife. The moment, however, that the shell was penetrated, a resistance was encountered which was by no means moderate. The nut inside was a solid white substance, almost as hard as marble.

Ascertaining that this was a specimen of the ivory nuts, which are articles of commerce, the reporter visited the chief local dealer in them and asked some questions about their nature and uses. The dealer said: "While 'ivory nut' is the name used in this country, the Spanish name is 'tagua,' and in England and Germany the nut is known as the 'corossos nut'—which it is not, the corossos nut being something entirely different. The nut without its shell is here also called 'vegetable ivory.' It is one of the uncultivated products of South America, and is imported chiefly from Ecuador and the United States of Colombia. It grows upon a species of palm tree about fourteen feet high, which is found in immense groves along the banks of the larger streams, preferring low, marshy soil, but not disdaining the higher ground. What is called the female tree yields a perfumed blossom, and, like the cocoanut tree, bears buds and blossoms at the same time that the ripened nuts are dropping to the ground. The 'male tree' also blossoms, but its flowers never turn to fruit. The nuts grow in thick clusters close to the trunk of the tree. They are gathered by the natives, who carry them in canoes or on their backs in baskets from the groves to the towns and villages along the rivers, where they sell them for a mere trifle. The traffic in the United States of Colombia is chiefly on the Magdalena river, and in Ecuador along various streams. The nuts are collected at the villages by small, flat-bottomed steamers, burning wood for fuel, and drawing only four and a half feet of water when loaded. These carry the nuts principally to Aspinwall, whence they are shipped in schooners and by the steamers of the Atlas line to the various importing places. The schooners are rarely loaded with ivory nuts alone, but receive about half their cargo in cocoanuts, which are invariably put on top of the ivory nuts; the latter would break the cocoanuts if their positions were reversed, while the cocoanuts could as easily break a pile of cannon balls.

"Hamburg, Germany, is the largest market for ivory nuts. New York comes next, and is the only port in this country to which they are shipped. San Francisco tried the trade but had to give it up. London is third, though not many years ago it was second. I think that perhaps fashion has had something to do with it in setting its face against articles made from the ivory nut.

"Those articles are principally buttons, and for a common or medium-grade button there is no better material. At the factories boys called 'shuckers' are employed to knock off the shells of the nuts. The 'ivory' is then taken by sawyers and 'slabbed,' that is, cut with fine saws into disks. After being assorted as to sizes the slabs are put in bins to dry thoroughly. At first they are bluish white; when dried they lose some of their bulk and turn dead-white. Next, girls put them into turning-machines, by which they are converted into various button shapes. Dyers then take them and turn them out of their vats in four or five sets of colors. To others a mottled appearance is imparted with brushes. They are also made to imitate very closely tortoise-shells, black cloths, especially black silk, and Scotch goods. I dare say you have often had ivory-nut buttons on your clothing, and thought they were bone or cloth-covered. They wear and hold a polish excellently. Such things as baby rattles, umbrella heads, cane heads, and hooks and eyes, are also made from ivory-nuts.

"The older the 'ivory' gets, the harder it becomes, and, if undyed, the whiter. Its usefulness has become greatly restricted by the small size of the nut. Experiments have long been unsuccessfully tried to make the ivory into blocks of any size by reducing the nuts to powder and then moulding the mass together by powerful machine pressure. If any one could succeed in inventing means to do this, it is safe to say a fortune would await him. 'Vegetable ivory' would then supersede celluloid, which is affected by moisture and smells of camphor, and is also much more expensive. The supply of ivory nuts is vast. At the head of the Amazon river, not to mention other parts of South America, there are thousands of acres thickly covered with nuts, which, left for years untouched, are rotting away.

"In the market here eight grades are recognized, according to the places from which the nuts come. The Ecuador nuts rank highest, and of these there are two grades, the first coming from Tumaco, and the second from Guayaquil."

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Acting Registrar-General.
Land Registry office, Victoria, 27th Sept, 1890. Dec. 1-2m.

LAND REGISTRY ACT.
Lot 450, Victoria City.

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Acting Registrar-General.
Land Registry Office, Victoria, Oct. 15, 1890. oct15-3m

"LAND REGISTRY ACT."

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Land Registry Office, Victoria, 6th Nov, 1890. no7-3m

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WANTED—A small house and plot of ground within two miles or so of Victoria, suitable for raising poultry and garden truck; with plenty of water; price must be moderate. Address, with particulars, M. B. Archer, TIMES Office. dec26-sat w2w.

WANTED—A party wishes to obtain private teacher for shorthand and type writing. Address to "M. C.," TIMES Office. dec26-3t

WANTED—Work by a reliable man; understands the care of horses, cows, garden and greenhouse. Address "Reliable," TIMES Office. dec26-3t

WANTED—A waiter at once at the Oriental Hotel. dec24-tf

WANTED—A situation as waitress; also a situation as chambermaid. Address B.M., TIMES Office. dec23-3t

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LOST—A card case with lady's photograph and cards of "Oscar C. Bass, TIMES, Victoria"; suitable reward. dec23-1w

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TO RENT—Rooms recently and neatly furnished, at from $6 monthly; three minutes walk from Post Office; enquire upstairs, 103, Government street. dec8-tf

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FOR SALE—A Royal Mail Tricycle in good order, ball bearing, electro plated with lamp, saddle, etc. Price $50. Enquire at 44 Carr street, James Bay, City. dec22-1w

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LOST OR FOUND.

STRAYED—Last Monday, a small red short-horn cow belonging to S. Fearn, Kelvin road, Tolmie Estate. dec26-1w

FOUND—By M. C. Brown a purse in the post office; owner can procure it at TIMES office by proving property. dec19-tf

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PHYSICIANS.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.
DR. E. C. FOOT, M. B.
University of Dublin, L.R.C.S., Ireland. Has removed his office from Yates street to 115 Douglas street opposite Town Hall. Private residence corner of Superior and Menzies streets, James Bay. no19-1m

DR. ERNEST HALL,
SPECIALIST.
Late from the London Hospitals. Eye, ear nose and throat. Rooms 11 and 12 corner Yates and Douglas streets. no11-3m

HOMŒPATHIC REMOVAL.
DR. J. HALL
Will leave his rooms on Pandora street on Monday, December 2nd, for the new brick block corner of Yates and Douglas streets, where he may be consulted at the usual hours, from 1 to 4 p.m., excepting Sundays and holidays. nov27

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jy28 S. A. BROWN, Secretary.

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Chapter, No. 120, G.R.C. Regular convocations held on the first Tuesday of every month, at Chapter Hall, Masonic Temple, Douglas street. Sojourning companions cordially invited.
R. LANGLEY,
jel-1y Scribe E.

FAR WEST LODGE, No. 1, K. of P.
Regular convention every Friday evening at Foresters' Hall, Government street. Sojourning Knights are cordially invited to attend.
R. J. PLUMMER,
oct9 K. of R. & S.

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J. M. MURDOCH, Secretary.

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Yards and cesspools cleaned by contract or monthly. Prompt attention given to all orders and prices reasonable.
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JOHN DOHERTY
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TENDERS ARE REQUIRED FOR THE erection of a two-storey frame residence on South Turner street. Plans and specifications may be seen at my office, where tenders will be received up to 12 o'clock noon on Saturday, Dec. 27th, 1890. The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.
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SOUTH VICTORIA.

We glean from the Montreal Witness that while the South Victoria election, to some extent, turned on the hope that public money would be spent for railways and other public works, the fact seems to be that the farmers are not in favor of a change in the Government's fiscal policy. Had this been the case, avers the Witness, 'it would have been manifested in the vote cast.' If South Victoria furnishes a fair indication of the effect upon public opinion among farmers of Ontario of the experience of recent years and of the discussions in regard to reciprocity, there will be no beneficial change in Canada's trade policy until the United States compels us to change it by changing theirs. Our political ambition seems to be to allow ourselves to be dragged as a tail piece to the United States." Bye elections of this sort, in which the people are bribed with their own money, cannot be said to afford an index of public opinion; still, unless it can be positively shown that the farmer vote was largely cast for the Liberal candidate, we are bound to assume that N.P. is not yet doomed. The farmers will not change their politics so long as they are fairly prosperous. The Farmers' Alliance is not the result of demagogic agitation. It is the resultant of hard conditions imposed by the money power. When the money power in Canada shall have proceeded to employ the "cinch" game to the extent that the farmers only live to burn corn for fuel and to go deeper in debt, then, and not before, will the reaction against N.P. take the form of a tidal wave. Farmers as the rule never change their politics until it has become a matter of life and death with them, and it does not appear that in Canada this state of affairs is reached. The dissatisfied Canadian prefers migration to agitation.

FASHIONS IN BOOKS.

Some of the very remarkable features of the rise and fall of the price of books are illustrated in the new volume of book prices current. The demand for and in consequence the value of the first editions of DICKENS, THACKERAY, LEVER and other modern novelists of the front rank, show no sign of abatement, while the superlatively beautiful editions of books printed by the great master printers of the world—the Elzevirs, the Aldines—exhibited a marked downward tendency. It is a mistake frequently made to suppose that because a book is rare it is valuable. Many rare books of which only a few copies are believed to exist are, from a commercial point of view, only so much old lumber. The first editions of DICKENS, THACKERAY, and many others greatly in demand cannot by any amount of sophistry be described as rare. A book must in the first place be in demand to be valuable. Early editions of the Fathers, for instance, are rare; and yet they have scarcely any market at all. Indeed, the demand for theological literature of all classes and every phase is practically nil. It is difficult to get away from the change which has come over the market in regard to the classics of the first rank. Without going back to the fancy prices of fifty or sixty years ago, we see a decline even in the prices of two or three seasons. In 1887 according to the Pall Mall Gazette edition of Aldine's Horace sold for 10s., whereas, at the Hopetoun sale a similar edition only brought £17 15s. In 1887, Elzevir Horace sold for £19 10s., and as a copy went for £1 13s. 6d. Classics of second importance show an equally decided fall in market value; many, such as Polybius, Statius, Valerius Flaccus, not catalogued at all, although probably many copies were bought under the hammer during the season. Only one edition of Ausonius, 1696) is much sought after, its being a large paper copy, only fetched the miserable sum of £2 15s. Æschylus (in a modern dress) appears only once and Sophocles three times, each copy being knocked down at a sum too small to be worth quoting. The decline of one taste, or the taste for a particular thing, generally synchronizes with one or more new ones. The decline of the classic phase of book-buying may be easily traced to the rise and development of the demand for modern authors. A copy of the Pickwick Papers (1837), for example, complete in parts, in the original wrappers, fetched £7, while a copy bound up without the wrappers went for £1 12s. Many people are old fashioned enough or stupid enough to prefer a nicely bound volume to a work littering the place in shabby paper covers; but after this warning we trust they will see the error of their ways. The wrappers in the above example are worth their weight in gold; indeed, one might almost say they are the only commercially valuable part of the book. Early editions of Lord TENNYSON'S works appear also to be rising in value. Three years ago Poems by Two Brothers sold for £11 10s. Last year a copy fetched £18, and another, on large paper, £34. It is remarkable that editions of the Laureate's poems published within about thirty odd years have very little value, a number of first editions, well bound by RIVIERE, each going for less than £1—probably not even the cost of binding.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Explorer STANLEY is said to be something of an egotist. A New York gentleman who met him recently tells this: "I expected to be frozen by Mr. STANLEY'S silent reserve. Instead of that, I was almost overwhelmed by his voluble egotism. He had been dining with Major Pond; there was no sign of anything more stimulating than a glass of claret, and the African explorer's voice was calm and even. But I never heard quite so many 'I's' and 'me's' in my life as seasoned our brief conversation, in which my part was necessarily receptive purely."

It is a little extraordinary that men of the hard sense of LABOUCHERE should hold that PARNELL is insane. It ought to be evident to LABOUCHERE that PARNELL is enraged at the vulture-like eagerness with which his colleagues turned against him. If people could believe that TIM HEALY was at all squeamish in his morals they could understand his attitude. But they know that HEALY, DAVITT and others have moral stomachs that are not easily turned, and they attribute the fierce opposition of these men to their old leader to envy. PARNELL'S offence is not one to be condoned, much less defended, but in view of his great services his eviction from the leadership of the Irish party should have been performed more in sorrow than in anger. In other words his envious opponents might have deposed him with the consideration which is expected of men, gentlemen and Christians.

Chicago will soon have the largest 10-cent lodging house in the world. The building will be seven stories high, will cost $80,000 and will be heated by steam and lighted by electricity. It will be built by the proprietors of the Liberty Bell, Chicago's celebrated 10-cent lodging house. The building which will be of stone and pressed brick and fireproof, will fill the corner of Clinton and Madison streets. The entire structure will be used for dormitory lodgings. Each of 360 rooms will be seven by six feet, provided with iron bedsteads and hot and cold water. The floor will be of tile and the wainscoting of marble. Office and reading room will be on the first floor. Scattered through the seven floors will be twenty bathrooms. Four elevators will carry the guests to their rooms. The basement will contain a laundry. It is expected the building will be ready for use by April first.

Vancouver News: It is well known that Advertiser: As it der to retain office Mr. Robson, in order to the views of the is willing to accede that he has at the Independents, and preparations for ready commenced his in order to form a coalition with them leagues who have thrown overboard the colprevented them on so many questions with which is developing "the policy," loaded up the Colonist tells us he is ly appeal to the muzzle, it will certainment. The Premier's good judgshould when we suggest to him that he neith instruct his half-pay organs pre to abuse not to insult the re- a sentatives who have been elected by v majority of the voters in the Province. Nobody knows better than Hon. JOHN ROBSON that "politics makes strange bedfellows," and when we see a journal controlled by a man who a very age said that the present Premier was not fit to be a member of the Government, now speaking of him as one who has sacrificed everything for his country, it will be seen by the Premier that ordinary prudence, with regard to possible eventualities, requires that he should, as we say, so liberally spoon-feed those abject creatures as to leave them no more time than is required for the proper assimilation of liberal doles from the public purse.

In respect to the banquet from which the press was excluded, or rather were told if they turned up after the feed was over they would be admitted, the Montreal Herald has to say, that so much space and so much composition saved, and so much more room for more interesting news. The glorification of the Militia Department by Sir ADOLPHE CARON, of the Customs by Mr. MACKENZIE BOWELL, and of the Government from a non-portfolioed point of view by Mr. FRANK SMITH, is something the loss of which can always be borne with resignation. It is getting to be hard lines when the press is not admitted to the same table with a gang of political upstarts and parasites. If the press were less respectable than politicians in point of family antecedents; if the press had less brains, and in point of venality could give "Souvenir" CARON points, we should say that it has no place at banquets where cabinet ministers are the principal guests. There is nothing to show, however, that Cabinet ministers are superior to the common herd, whether mentally, morally, or in point of respectability of calling. If, however, cabinet ministers chose to gorge and guzzle by themselves, that is their privilege, but they should not feel in the least cut up if their gorging and their guzzlings and their maunderings do not appear in print the next day. The period of flunkeyism is about over for the press.

THE EDUCATIONAL TRIUMVIRATE.

TO THE EDITOR:—If the department of education tries wilfully and with malice prepense to leave the impression on the public mind that only inferior work has been done by teachers, when examination papers and other records, all open to public inspection, go to show conclusively that the very opposite is the case, what confidence, it may be asked, can teachers and the general public have in official utterances based on records which are kept as a sealed book in the education office and are invisible to all except the triumvirs and the chaingang? If the integrity of the officials is once suspected, is not the usefulness of the department is in a great measure gone. This is a serious matter when it is remembered that in the public schools of the province the department exercises unlimited power. It has vetoed the acts of trustee boards, lorded it over janitors and made the "dust and ashes" of Victoria schools proud by its attentions. It has closed and opened schools at pleasure, and wiped teachers out of existence "for cause." It has refused to grant a certificate to candidates properly qualified, and assigned no reason for its refusal save the sovereignty of its own free will. The superintendent admitted before a parliamentary committee that he had bestowed praise where praise was not due, and stated on oath that he "had frequently carefully studied in order to avoid telling an untruth." Any investigation into the doings of the department has been held in secret, with doors barred and bolted, and the representatives of the press rigidly excluded. Has not the time come when a change should be made in the method of conducting examinations? Why is it different here from what it is in other provinces, where unsuccessful candidates are invited to look over their papers and compare their answers with those of successful candidates? Our examiners are too upright and honorable, forsooth.
CYNIC.

SPORTING NOTES.

Brief Resume of Sporting Matters Here and There.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—It is now definitely known that Slavin does not intend to back out of his original proposition to fight Jim Corbett before the California Club. A letter was received here to-day from a well-known sporting man in London, who has had an interview with Slavin on the subject. Slavin said that he had made no arrangements whatever, with the New Orleans club, and that he would jump at the chance to box Corbett or any other heavy-weight in San Francisco. President Fulda, of the California Club said today: "I always believed that Slavin would come here. We will be ready whenever Corbett is ready. Everything indicates that we are going to have the big contest.

Her Majesty the Queen has offered M. Lefevre $22,000 for Tristan. The offer was refused owing to an engagement with Baron Rothschild.

The half-mile swimming record was beaten December 3rd at the Royal aquarium, Westminster, by J. Nuttall, who covered the distance in 12 min 11⅘ sec.

The bicyclists recently suspended in this country should go to Melbourne. The club there has passed a new amateur definition. A man may accept money and still be an amateur, only those who actually live by their winnings being considered professionals.

FOOTBALL.

An Association game was played at the hill yesterday afternoon between the Nanaimo team and the Victorians. The match resulted in 6 goals to 1 for the visitors. The home team was four men short. The match drew quite a crowd in spite of the bad weather, and considering the slippery state of the ground, was well played.

IN SOUTHERN AQUATICS.

"The Two Republics," a paper published in Mexico City, brings news of a Victorian (Tom Gore) distinguishing himself aquatically in the city down south. The writer of the account of the regatta being apparently a litterateur instead of a reporter, there is a great deal in the notice about the Romans of old and their great republic, there is a deal of figurative language, and even some Greek metaphysics, but nothing whatever about the sports. So that Tom's friends will have to be content with the information that he rowed bow oar in one winning boat and was coxswain in another.

New goods received. Chase & Sanborn's Coffee, Curried Fowl, Lentils, Pecan Nuts, Mackrell, Shrewsbury Sauce. Also a full line of fine Biscuits at R. H. Jameson's 39 Fort street.

Baby Buggies, the finest and largest assortment in the city at low prices, from $9.50 up, at J. Sehl's 66 Government street

A Cure for Toothache.
Ask your druggist for Gibbons' Toothache Gum, prepared by J. A. Gibbons & Co., Toronto. Price 15 cents. oc9 eod 6m

WHARF AND WAVE.

Jottings of Interest to Marine Men Concisely Compiled.

The Batavia passed out yesterday for China.

The boats from the Mainland were crowded with freight last night.

It is reported that the small steamer Millie has been lost in Queen Charlotte Sound.

The steamer City of Puebla, for San Francisco, was delayed in departing until 2 o'clock this morning.

The ship Ellen Reed, which left the Royal Roads to load wheat at Tacoma for the United Kingdom, has sailed.

The steamer Daisy came in from Chemainus this morning for a load of mill supplies, and leaves again to-morrow.

The steamer Emma struck a ledge near the entrance to the harbor as she was going out this morning, and had some trouble getting off.

PERSONAL.

Movements of Well Known People in Various Directions.

Mrs. E. Goodwin and Miss Maude Goodwin, of San Francisco, arrived on Wednesday evening to spend their holidays.

Miss Laura Findley was a passenger on the Islander for Vancouver this morning. She will visit friends at Kamloops before she returns.

Thomas Wastie of Winnipeg is in town on a visit. Mr. Wastie is ex-chief of the London (Ont.) fire department, and speaks very favorably of the Victoria brigade.

Sam C. Mott, representing the Steen & Wood's World of Mystery and Novelty Co., is in town, arranging for the appearance at the Victoria on the 1st and 2nd of the month, of that combination.

H. B. Young of the White House and his sister, Miss Dora Young, leave tonight by the steamer City of Kingston for New York by the N.P.R.R. At New York they take the steamer Umbria, leaving on the 3rd prox., for England. They will be gone eight or ten weeks.

BRIEF LOCALS.

The Day's Doings in City and Province Briefly Related.

A complete stock of table cutlery just arrived at Fox's, 78 Government st.

Fine wood-bread plates, butter dishes and table mats at Fox's, 78 Government street.

The board of aldermen hold an adjourned meeting at the city hall tonight.

Pea jackets and vests and overcoats, men's youth's and boy's, B. Williams & Co., 97 Johnson street.

Gum Boots, Rubbers, Arctics, &c. for everybody, at Erskine's, 132 Government street, corner Johnson.

The trees and telephone wires on the Esquimalt road have been brought into communication by the wind, with the result that the wires have collapsed.

The immense show rooms of John Weiler, 51 to 55 Fort street, will be brilliantly illuminated every evening during Christmas week until 10 p. m. Everybody invited to see the largest and finest show in the city.

We are pleased to inform our patrons, who have been waiting for our handsome Xmas chairs, that they have arrived, and as they are sure to sell quickly, an early inspection is invited. Hastie & Erskine, 62 Government St. tf

We are requested to state that the Queen City Building Loan and Savings Association is a purely mutual and local building society, which enables its members to become their own landlords by easy payments, and that in thus helping themselves its members are helping their fellow men. By-laws and prospectus at 46 Broad street. tf

MUNICIPAL VOTERS.

Number on the Lists for 1891—Many Not Registered.

The municipal voters lists for the three wards have just been compiled by Mr. E. C. Smith, and are now placed before the public. Probably the new regulations in the matter of registration have had the result of leaving a large number of voters off the list, as in spite of the fact that the city has grown a great deal the past year, the voters' list is smaller. A good many householders failed to make the necessary declaration and in consequence the number of this class of voters is very small. The lists, by wards, show the following numbers of the different class of voters:—

JAMES BAY WARD.

Real estate	668
License	11
Householders	9
Total	688

YATES STREET WARD.

Real estate	572
License	54
Householders	16
Total	642

JOHNSON STREET WARD.

Real estate	738
Householders	14
License	4
Total	756

Grand total in all the wards of those entitled to vote at municipal elections, 2086.

Total ratepayers entitled to vote on loans and by-laws, 1978.

86
We've Got 'Em Again.
That is Novelties suitable for Xmas Presents in Dress Costumes, Umbrellas, Lace Handkerchiefs, Lace Collars, Lace Scarfs, Silk Handkerchiefs, Wool Shawls, Furs, Hosiery, Gloves, &c., &c., all of which are offered at "Hard Times Prices."
J. PARTRIDGE.
LANSDOWNE HOUSE, YATES ST.
86
December 13th, 1890.

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Is a new and elegant preparation for eradicating and preventing roughness of the face and hands. Use it freely at night just before retiring and you will be delighted with a soft, smooth skin. Try it. D. E. Campbell, agent.

A SUMPTUOUS BANQUET.

The Christmas Dinner at the Jubilee Hospital—A Joyful Affair.

A really sumptuous and typical dinner, was, through the kindness of charitably disposed persons, provided by the directors of the Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital for every patient at the institution yesterday. About 35 persons sat down at the table at one o'clock, and those unable to leave their beds had their dinners taken to them. Mr. T. R. Smith, the president, sat at the head of the table, and at either side were vice-president Joshua Davies, Alex. Wilson, and Capt. Jones. Dr. Richardson and the whole staff were in attendance, and looked as bright and cheerful as a bright Christmas was able to make them. The tables were loaded down with every delicacy, the kindness showed by the citizens in providing good things being really marvellous. After dinner cigars were handed around and while they were being enjoyed President T. R. Smith and the other directors made a few cheery remarks which made the happy crowd of patients feel better if it was possible. The patients seemed to thoroughly appreciate the kindness shown them and at the instance of the president a hearty vote of thanks was proposed to Dr. Richardson, the matron, Miss Crickway, Steward Jenkins and the whole of the staff for their kindness and trouble taken in preparing the sumptuous spread placed before them. Dr. Richardson replied in a few well chosen words and the first Christmas dinner at the Jubilee hospital was brought to an end.

THE CHURCHES.

Christmas Day in the Different Churches of the City.

Christmas Day of 1890 was remarkable for steady rain, which was blown around by a boisterous wind, but that did not hinder all the churches from being well attended and the services being celebrated with all the joy that hearty praise could impart.

St. Andrew's pro-cathedral had not been decorated as much as on former occasions, but the altar was made to look as cheerful and beautiful as flowers could make it, and the crib was just as pretty as possible. Low mass was celebrated at 8 o'clock and high mass at 10:30. A sermon was preached on the joys of Christmas.

The Presbyterian and Methodist churches do not decorate for Christmas, but the services during which special athems were sung were hearty and joyous in accordance with the event that was being celebrated.

In Christ Church Cathedral there was a feeling of true Christmas. The bright decorations looked brighter still when supplemented by a large and earnest congregation of worshippers. The service, the order of which has already appeared, was refreshingly and heartily rendered. Everything spoke the great message of the season: gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax hominibus bonæ voluntatis. His lordship the Bishop preached, and told the story of this message with his accustomed dignity and simple warmth. The offertory, which was a large one, was devoted to the widows' and orphans' fund.

St. John's was a picture of cheerfulness and brightness. Thanks to the ladies who worked so well in decorating, the congregation found themselves amply rewarded for having braved the wind and rain to attend Christmas morning service. Rev. Mr. Jenns preached with his accustomed eloquence.

St. James' was no exception to the rule. The sermon was bright and refreshing. Ven. Archdeacon Scriven preached.

THE DALEY CASE.

Legal Points Discussed—Very Little Evidence Taken.

The case of Jas. J. Daley was resumed in the city police court this morning, where Mr. Mills, counsel for the defense, argued that Supt. Sheppard's evidence was not admissable, and also that the superintendent had threatened Daley by stating that he would expose the whole thing if Daley did not give a reasonable explanation of his conduct within twenty-four hours.

His honor said, what evidence we have is that letters came from New Zealand from a woman supposed to be the accused's wife. The accused got into Supt. Sheppard's office, where Mr. Gregg, father of the injured girl was. It was hardly to be expected that the woman should be there. The father of Miss Gregg, Supt. Sheppard representing the alleged wife in New Zealand, and the accused were all there, so that the rule making it necessary for all interested parties was fulfilled. Statements are made, the prisoner does not keep silent, but agrees to have the letters read. He was not obliged to do that, but the letters are read. If those letters appeared to come from an alleged wife the occasion called for a denial, if they were false. It would have been his duty to do so, as it was in the interest of Mr. Gregg to hear the truth immediately. It would be hard to find a man who would keep silent under the circumstances. The accused did not deny the statements, but asked for time to consider whether he would send money to his wife or not. Taking all things into consideration, he thought the evidence was admissable."

Mr. Mills then objected to the letters being taken as evidence, contending that a wife could not give evidence against her husband.

Supt. Sheppard was then re-called and repeated the evidence given on Wednesday, and also deposed that Daley gave no answer when asked if he would like to see the photos, but when they were handed to him he looked at them but laid them down again without saying anything. Daley did not return to the superintendent's office in the 24 hours, so he (the witness) went to Daley's shop and found the accuse in bed.

To Mr. Mills, Certainly I gave the newspapers information about the case. Told Daley that I would make the circumstances public if no reasonable explanation was given. (Daley did not say he wanted time to take legal advice.

The letters received by the superintendent from New Zealand were then read. The first had no signature, and the others were signed by Mrs. Norah Daley.

Bloomster Shakespeare was called. Mr. Taylor for the prosecution said he had called Mr. Shakespeare to prove, if he could, that Daley had sent money to someone in New Zealand.

Mr. Shakespeare said he was not allowed to give information in regard to money orders without the consent of the Postmaster-General, so the case was remanded until Tuesday when the point will be argued.

An American Discovery.

An American contemporary has discovered that the strength of paper is wonderful, and gives, as an illustration of this, the statement that a note of the Bank of England, twisted into a kind of rope, can support as much as 320 pounds upon one end of it.

We know of something even more wonderful than this. Newspaper readers in Canada will be astonished when they are assured that a few dollars invested in Diamond Dyes has supported a family of seven for one year; the total avoirdupois of the family was 855 pounds.

The family referred to did the dyeing for a large country village, and it was successfully done for years by the use of Diamond Dyes, which never failed in Color, Beauty, and Durability. Their trade increased through using such reliable dyes, and their charges for work was very moderate.

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GLADSTONE IS ALARMED.

The Situation in Ireland is Becoming More Complicated.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—The Liberal leaders are disgusted because of the feeling exhibited among British non-Conformists regarding the interference of the priests in the Kilkenny election. The ferment on the subject seems to be likely to prove greater than that excited by the conduct of Mr. Parnell. Mr. Gladstone himself is said to be alarmed at it, and it is believed not improbable that the House of Commons will unseat Sir J. Pope Hennessy on account of undue clerical influence.

A dispatch from Rome says that the purpose of the Vatican is to use the leverage of clerical influence in Ireland to compell the British government to extend diplomatic recognition to the Holy See, and that the Pope is earnestly desirous of securing such recognition as a further step toward promoting the restoration of his temporal power. For this reason the Pope is well satisfied with the existing situation in Ireland.

ANCIENT ORDER FORESTERS

Court Vancouver, 5755, Court Northern Light, 3835, annual Santa Claus Party and Social Dance, to be held in the Assembly Rooms, Tuesday, Dec. 30th, 1890. Children's entertainment will commence at 7 o'clock p.m., to be followed by a social dance by the members and their families. All members of the Order can obtain tickets upon application to the following members:—Bros. R. L. Salmon, E. J. Salmon, H. A. Levin, J. March, H. Waller, T. J. Lindsay, T. B. Norgate, R. Godding, S. Wilson. J. MARSH, Secretary of Committee.
Dec. 16-2w

NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FOURTH annual general meeting of the British Columbia Fire Insurance Company, will be held at the Company's office, 34 Yates street, Victoria, B.C., on Thursday, 22nd day of January, 1891, at 3 o'clock p.m., when the annual report of the company will be presented. Members of the company are requested to attend.
WM. DALBY, Manager.
Victoria, B.C., 22nd Dec. 1890. de22-tf

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ELECTION CARDS.

THE MAYORALTY.

At the solicitation of a large number of voters, I again announce myself as a candidae for Mayor at the coming election and respectfully solicit the support and votes of the electors.
JOHN GRANT.
Dec. 12, 1890. de12

To the Electors of Yates St. Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: At the solicitation of a large number of voters, I again announce myself as a candidate for Alderman in Yates Street Ward, and respectfully solicit your influence and support.
W. D. McKILLICAN
Victoria B. C., Dec. 23th 1890. de26-td

To the Electors of James Bay Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: In answer to a flattering requisition, I have much pleasure in announcing myself a candidate for the position of Alderman in James Bay, and respectfully request your support.
JOSEPH HUNTER.
Victoria B.C., Dec. 26th 1890. de26

To the Electors of Johnson St. Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—I beg to offer myself for re-election as Alderman for Johnson Street Ward for the ensuing year, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.
JOSHUA HOLLAND.
Victoria, Dec. 26, 1890. de24

To the Electors of Johnson St. Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I beg to offer myself as Alderman for Johnson Street Ward at the coming election.
I respectfully ask for your vote and support.
A. J. McLELLAN.
Victoria, Dec. 22, 1890. de23-td

To the Electors of Johnson St. Ward.

I beg to announce that I will be a candidate for re-election to the Council, as a representative for Johnson Street Ward. Your support is respectfully requested.
de20-td JOHN ROBERTSON.

To the Electors of Johnson St. Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: Having been nominated by a majority of the ratepayers of the eastern part of Johnson Street Ward at a meeting held in Spring Ridge school house on December 12th, I therefore offer myself as a candidate for Alderman for the ensuing year in Johnson Street Ward, and solicit your influence and votes.
I have the honor to be your obedient servant,
W. H. SNIDER.
Victoria B.C., December 13th 1890. td

To the Electors of James Bay Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: Having been solicited by a large number of ratepayers, I announce myself as a candidate for Alderman and respectfully solicit your vote and influence at the coming election.
de15-td J. P. MATTHEWS.

To the Electors of James Bay Ward.

Having been solicited by a large number of voters to stand for re-election as Alderman for James Bay Ward, I solicit your votes and influence.
de24-td A. J. SMITH.

To the Electors of James Bay Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: Having been requested by a large number of ratepayers, I announce myself as a candidate for re-election as Alderman and respectfully solicit your vote and influence at the coming election.
WILLIAM WILSON.
Victoria, B.C., Dec. 19, 1890. de20-td

To the Electors of Yates street Ward.

TO THE ELECTORS: I offer myself as a candidate for the Council in Yates Street Ward, and solicit your support.
W. WALKER.
Victoria, Dec. 19, 1890. de19

To the Electors of Yates St. Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: At the request of many voters I beg to announce myself as a candidate for Alderman in Yates Street Ward and solicit your vote and support.
F. G. RICHARDS, JR.
Victoria, B.C., Dec. 23, 1890. de23-tf

To the Electors of Yates street Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: At the solicitation of a large number of voters, I again announce myself as a candidate for Alderman in Yates Street Ward, and respectfully solicit your influence and support.
LOUIS VIGELIUS.
Victoria, B.C., Dec. 19, 1890. de20td

PROVINCIAL
Royal Jubilee Hospital.

Donations of Meat, Poultry, Provisions of all sorts, Fruit, &c., will be thankfully received for Christmas day dinner, likewise Evergreens. Intending contributors can have their gifts sent for, by kindly dropping a postcard, addressed to the "House Steward," Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital.
H. M. YATES,
Secretary, Government St.
Victoria, B.C., Dec. 18, 1890. de19

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For the accommodation of customers unable to shop during the day, we shall for the remainder of the month keep open until
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Splendid silk curtains beautifully embroidered with silk and gold thread, table covers, bed spreads, banner squares, wall panels, etc.

Opera cloaks, crepe shawls, dressing gowns, smoking jackets, smoking caps.

Carved blackwood cabinets, book shelves, whatnots, tables and brackets all artistically decorated with ivory and mother of pearl, tables of bamboo and other material.

Tea sets of all sizes and qualities, from $2 to $60, also cups and saucers and plates of great variety, to be sold singly or in any quantity to suit purchasers.

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MESSRS. DALBY, BALLENTYNE & CLAXTON beg to announce that they have transferred the agency of the EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE U. S. to MR. J. H. BROWNLEE, formerly District Manager for Western Manitoba, and they request that intending assurers will give the new representative a call. You will find Mr. Brownlee thoroughly posted, and the Equitable, as ever, the strongest financial institution of its kind in the world.

Assets	$107,150,309
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Ratio of Assets to Liabilities	127
New Business, 1889,	175,254,190
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District Manager
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CARIBOO ELECTION.

Mr. Borland a Candidate in the Interest of the Lower Portion of the District.

From our own Correspondent.]

On Wednesday last there was a meeting called at 150-Mile House to select a candidate for the lower part, or farming section, of the district. There were three aspirants, viz., Mr. Wm. Pinchbeck, Mr. Dennis Murphy and Mr. Robt. Borland. After a rather stormy debate, a vote was taken and Borland received 19, Murphy 1, and Pinchbeck 0. It is rumored that the three will stand for election. Mr. Borland poses as an Independent, Murphy Opposition and Pinchbeck is slavish Government. From Cariboo proper Nason sent down circulars by last mail. He has very little chance of being returned. Four or five other names up there are mentioned, besides Mr. Jas. Innis and Mr. Robt. Anderson, who are both in the lower country. Several questions were put to Mr. Murphy at the meeting. One was about taxing the Mission property of over 320 acres. He evaded the question, and Murphy damaged his cause. The Mission has, or will have, this winter between 4000 and 5000 acres of land fenced, with 600 head of cattle and horses. They are underselling the regular farmers in hay and grain at the 150 Mile House to the freight teamsters on the Cariboo wagon road.

THE COWICHAN STORM.

The Extraordinary Deluge at Cowichan Lake—Railroad Bridge Damaged.

As early as December 11th the elements were at work about the headwaters of Cowichan river, preparing material, as it were, for the fearful devastation to be wrought a week later at the mouth of the same river. Cowichan Lake, a beautiful sheet of water twenty-one miles in length, and varying from one to three miles in width, gives rise to the river of the same name. This river, after a course of twenty-five miles, enters the Gulf of Georgia at Cowichan Harbor.

On Thursday, December 11th, and on the Friday and Saturday following, rain fell at the lake, and the surrounding mountains gradually received a mantle of snow. Sunday morning two inches of snow lay at the lake level. During the day and night snow continued to fall at intervals. Monday the temperature changed and the wind, which had before come from the north-west, veered round to the south-west, and a warm heavy rainfall was the result. In twelve hours not a vestage of snow was to be seen about the Lake or upon the mountain tops. The water raised three feet in 24 hours.

All day Tuesday the rain fell in torrents. Sometime during the day an occurrence took place which was probably not witnessed by any human being. This is supposed to have been a cloud-burst that took place about four miles down the road from the lake. A land-slide, and broken timber, three feet in diameter, with smaller trees torn up by the roots, and rocks, form all together a pile of destruction, 20 feet high and about 50 yards in extent, directly over the road.

Two freight teams coming to the lake from Duncan's reached this obstruction about dark Tuesday evening. It was impossible to advance and almost as difficult to return with loaded wagons. The freight, consisting mostly of Caristmas goods, intended to gladden the hearts of our community, was unloaded and placed with care in the hollow butt of a burnt out cedar tree. It remained there in safety until it was brought in to-day. The two teams and five men turned back to the half-way place and were obliged to spend the stormy night in the woods with little shelter. Mr. Fraser with a force of men cleared a trail around the land-slide, and by ferrying across the swollen creeks where the bridges were washed away, the goods were brought safely in. Our Christmas will yet be passed with good cheer.

But to return to the storm. The water not confining itself to the creeks, spread out to a sheet in its head-long course to the river. The river from its head to the mouth must receive double the amount of water that is obtained from the lake. It was well prepared to carry on its work of destruction. Of the seven million feet of timber awaiting high water to be driven down to the mill, not more than 100 logs remain along the upper course of the river. The result of which was described in last week's papers.

The rain continued to fall in torrents during the remainder of the week. Gusts of wind coming in through the mountain gaps, from the west coast caused the fall of many a tree throughout the forest. The lake attained its highest level Saturday morning, Dec. 20th, when it had raised 9 feet in a perpendicular. Cabins situated near the water's edge were washed away. At the hotel, one-quarter of a mile from the lake, down the river, the water has overflowed its banks and is within a few feet of the front steps.

Our greatest misfortune is that we have lost communication with the outside world, except by horseback or on foot. The road which, since the first fall rains, has been getting worse, is now simply impassable. Water to the depth of 12 feet, stands over it in low places. The last through trip by conveyance was made Monday, Dec. 15th. The road inspector came out on horseback Saturday, the 20th, after the road was cleared of the fallen timber. Three men sent out by the government agent to repair the road reached here to night. Mr. Fraser's logging camp has shut down, 14 oxen and 6 horses were sent out. About thirty men have left the vicinity of Cowichan lake for Duncan's in the last two days, because it was impossible to haul in supplies over the road. To day is clear and frosty and the mountains again have a mantle of snow.

CORRESPONDENT.

Cowichan Lake, Dec. 22.

Fast Time.

The Union Pacific vestibuled train leaving Portland at 7 00 a.m., has Pullman sleeping and dining cars. Free Pullman Tourist cars, and free reclining chair cars to Omaha, Kansas City and Chicago, without change. Steamers leave Victoria daily (except Sunday.) For tickets to any point east, north and south, call on or address Morrts J. Bissell 100 Government St., Victoria, B. C.

Merchants Luncheon.

From 11:30 until 2 o'clock and Lowenbrau at the Bank Exchange.

H. B. Co. Meeting.

TORONTO, Dec. 20.—The Hudson Bay company held a meeting in London yesterday. A cablegram to the Globe says it was uneventful. Sir Donald Smith, who was in the chair, elaborated the main points of the reports regarding a shorter supply of furs and decline in land sales. He thought the prospects were brighter in the latter respect owing to a good crop in the Northwest. A proposal for duplication of shares will be submitted to the proprietors at the next meeting.

Drowned Because She Was Whipped.

HALIFAX, Dec. 21.—Laura, the twelve year old daughter of A. J. Hatfield, of Middleton, was chided by her mother yesterday and drowned herself.

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The magical efforts of Wisdom's Robertine as a beautifer and preserver of the complexion have been attested by thousands of leading ladies of society and the stage. It is the only article ever discovered which gives a natural and beautiful tint to the complexion, removing tan, sunburn, freckles and all roughness of the face and arms, leaving the skin soft, smooth and velvety. All remarks on its delightfuly cooling and refreshing properties, a distinction not found in any other similar article known. D. E. Campbell, agent.

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MUNICIPAL

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CHARLES KENT,
Treasurer.

Dec. 18, 1890.

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ESQUIMALT & NANAIMO RAILWAY.

STEAMER **ISABEL**
J. E. BUTLER, Master.

On and after November 19th, '89,
Until further notice,
The Steamer ISABEL will sail as follows:
CALLING AT WAY PORTS:

Leave Victoria for Nanaimo.....Tuesday, 7 a.m
" Nanaimo for Comox.....Wednesday, 7 a.m
" Comox for Nanaimo.....Friday, 7 a.m
" Nanaimo for Victoria.....Saturday, 7 a.m

For freight or passage apply on board. oct7

CANADIAN PACIFIC NAVIGATION CO.,
(LIMITED.)

TIME TABLE No. 13,
Taking effect July 17, 1890.

Vancouver Route.

Victoria to Vancouver daily, except Monday, at 8 o'clock, a.m.
Vancouver to Victoria daily, except Monday, at 14:30 o'clock, or on arrival of C.P.R. No. 1 train.

New Westminster Route.

LEAVE VICTORIA for New Westminster, Ladner's Landing and Lulu Island, Sunday at 23 o'clock; Wednesday and Friday at 7 o'clock. (Sunday's steamer to New Westminster connects with C. P. R. train No. 2 going East Monday.)
For Plumper Pass Wednesday and Friday at 7 o'clock.
For Moresby Island Friday at 7 o'clock.
LEAVE New Westminster for Victoria, Monday at 14:30 o'clock; Thursday and Saturday at 7 o'clock.
For Plumper Pass Saturday at 7 o'clock.

Fraser River Route.

Steamers leave New Westminster for Chilliwhack and Way Landings every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 7 o'clock.

Northern Route.

Steamships of this Co. will leave for Ft. Simpson and intermediate ports on the 1st and 15th of each month. When sufficient inducements offer will extend trips to West Coast points and Queen Charlotte Islands.

Barclay Sound Route.

Steamer Maude leaves Victoria for Alberni and Sound ports when sufficient inducements offer.

Bute Inlet Route.

Steamer Rainbow leaves every Tuesday at 7 a. m., for Cowichan, New Westminster, Burrard Inlet, Bute Inlet and way ports.

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FOR
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RAILWAYS.

ESQUIMALT & NANAIMO RAILWAY.

TIME TABLE NO. 12.
To take effect at 5:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 11th, 1890.
Trains run on Pacific Standard Time.

COING SOUTH. READ UP.

STATIONS.	No. 1 Passenger Daily.	No. 3 Passenger Sat. and Mon.	Miles from Wellington.
VICTORIA	Ar. 12:30 p.m.	5:25 p.m.	78
ESQUIMALT	" 12:30	5:31	74
GOLDSTREAM	" 12:40	5:41	69
SHAWNIGAN LAKE	" 11:45 a.m.	5:10	63
COBBLE HILL	" 10:50	4:14	57
McPHERSON'S	" 10:4	4:05	53
KOKSILAH	" 10:27	3:40	48
DUNCANS	" 10:11	3:24	43
CHEMAINUS	" 10:02	3:14	38
NANAIMO	Ar. 9:30	Lv. 2:15	29
WELLINGTON	Lv. 8:25	Ar. 1:50	0

COING NORTH. READ DOWN.

STATIONS.	No. 2 Passenger Daily.	No. 4 Passenger Sat. Mon.	Miles from Victoria.
VICTORIA	Lv. 8:00 a.m.	3:30 p.m.	0
ESQUIMALT	8:04	3:34	4
GOLDSTREAM	8:14	3:44	11
SHAWNIGAN LAKE	8:37	4:06	17
COBBLE HILL	8:44	4:14	22
McPHERSON'S	8:51	4:20	26
KOKSILAH	10:07	5:36	31
DUNCANS	10:13	5:44	36
CHEMAINUS	10:23	5:54	41
NANAIMO	Ar. 11:00	Lv. 6:15	50
WELLINGTON	Lv. 12:10 p.m.	Ar. 8:20	79

ON SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS

Return Tickets will be issued between all points for a single fare, good for return not later than Monday evening.
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Tacoma-Victoria Route.

Leave Tacoma	10:00 a.m.
Leave Seattle	10:00 a.m.
Leave Port Townsend	11:00 a.m.
Arrive Victoria	4:00 p.m.
Leave Victoria	10:00 a.m.
Leave Port Townsend	10:00 a.m.
Leave Seattle	3:00 p.m.
Arrive Tacoma	15:00 p.m.

Port Townsend-Port Angeles Route.

Lv. Port Townsend 2 p.m. | Lv. Port Angeles 8 a.m.
Arrive Pt. Angeles 9 p.m. | Ar. Pt. Townsend 9 "

Tacoma-Seattle Route.

DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.
Leave Tacoma—8:00 a.m.; 10:00 a.m.; 3:00 p.m.; 5:0 p.m.; 7:45 p.m.
Leave Seattle—5:00 a.m.; 7:00 a.m.; 12:45 p.m.; 3:00 p.m.; 5:30 p.m.

SUNDAY ONLY.
Leave Seattle 7:30 a.m.; and 5:30 p.m.
Arrive " 12:00 m.; and 9:45 p.m.
Arrive Tacoma 9:30 a.m.; and 7:15 p.m.
Leave Tacoma 10:00 a.m.; and 7:45 p.m.

Seattle-Olympia Route.

Leave Seattle	6:00 a.m.	Leave Olympia	12:00 p.m
Leave Tacoma	8:00 a.m.	Leave Tacoma	3:00 p.m
Ar. Olympia	10:30 a.m.	Arrive Seattle	6:45 p.m

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The Daily Times.

CITY AND PROVINCIAL.

LIVELY TIMES

Looked for on the Stickeen During the Coming Year.

Brick Lewis, one of the early Cariboo miners, now a citizen of Wrangel, came down on the City of Topeka on Wednesday evening. He says there are prospects of lively times on the Stickeen river this year, the actions of Judge Sheppard and Dr. Hachlocher having given miners confidence. Mr. Levi, who took up a claim on McDames Creek last year, came down, but did not come here, taking the Northern Pacific for the east, where he will arrange for the working of his mine next year. He will take hydraulic machinery in with him when he goes. Mr. Lewis said he heard nothing of the fire at Juneau reported by the last boat, and he thinks there is some mistake.

It is two years since he was here before and the changes for the better he considers marvelous. The electric railway and the large business blocks are all new to him. Like most of the old miners "Brick" has got a bad touch of the rheumatism, but otherwise he is hale and hearty.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Christmas Eve in the Council Chambers—Adjourned Until To-night.

The board of aldermen held a meeting on Wednesday evening at the city hall with Mayor Grant in the chair and the full board, barring Ald. Goodacre, present. Routine work being completed, Clerk Dowler read

COMMUNICATIONS

from G. G. Gwynne notifying the board that the vote would be taken on the 5th of January on the extension of the city limits, and asking for a list of the voters.

The mayor explained that arrangements would be made to make the expense of getting the list prepared at as low a cost as possible.

Ald. Vigelius moved that the list be prepared accordingly.

Ald. Robertson thought the Provincial Government should furnish the list gratis.

Ald. Harrison thought Ald. Robertson forgot that the taking in of those voters by the city was a loss of a source of revenue to the Government.

The mayor pointed out that the statutory law provided for the payment of the preparation of the list by the city.

On vote it was decided to have the list prepared at once.

REPORTS.

From the street committee, making the following recommendations:

That a new sidewalk be built on John street, between Turner and Bridge streets.

That the sidewalk on the south side of Market street be continued to First street.

That a sidewalk be laid on Niagara street from Menzies street to South Union street.

That a few loads of broken rock be spread on Orchard street.

That a new sidewalk be laid on Discovery street, south side, between Douglas and Blanchard streets.

That a four foot sidewalk be laid on Fernwood Road between Chatham street and Edmonton street.

That an eight foot sidewalk be laid on Hillside avenue between Third and Fourth streets.

That a stone crossing be laid across Government street from the corner of Pandora street.

That a stone crossing be laid across Johnson street on the east side of Government street.

That permission be given to Mr. R. T. Williams to extend the basement of his new building, on Broad street, ten feet beyond the street line, provided, he builds a proper retaining wall, establishes a good water way or gutter and causes a proper sidewalk to be laid.

That Mr. J. Teague be granted a similar privilege in the case of Alsop & Mason's building, on Yates street.

That the request of T. J. Claxton, for a surface drain on Fernwood road, be granted.

That a 12-foot sidewalk be laid on Yates street in front of T. Jones' property, and continued to the corner of Blanchard street.

That the sidewalk asked for by J. T. Higgins be deferred.

The report was adopted.

From the printing committee, recommending that the clerk communicate with the British Columbia Board of Trade in reference to advertising the city. Also that $50 be paid to Mr. E. C. Smith for compilation of the voters' list for 1891.—Report adopted.

From the sewerage committee as follows:

To the Mayor and Aldermen, Gentlemen:—In accordance with the following resolution of the City Council, passed on the 10th inst., viz.:

"That the several tenders for the construction of sewers for the city of Victoria, in accordance with plans and specifications opened this evening, be referred to the Sewerage Commissioners, Sewerage Committee and Sewerage Engineer with power to call in an outside engineer, and to award the contract to the lowest tenderer."

We have now the honor to report:

1. That Mr. Alexander McBean, of California, is the lowest tenderer.

2. That satisfactory replies have been received to inquiries made as to the financial standing of Mr. McBean and his sureties.

3. That in consequence we have awarded the contract to Mr. Alexander McBean for the sum of $249,970.44¾.

The above sum is divided as follows, viz.: $196,229¾ for main and branch sewers, and $53,750.95 for house connections.

The security held by the city for the due fulfilment is equivalent to 12 per cent on the contract price, half in cash and half in bonds.

The report was adopted.

Ald. Wilson then moved an adjournment until Friday evening at 8 p. m.—Carried.

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For Re-Election.

Ald. McKillican will be a candidate for re-election in Yates street ward. An announcement to that effect appears in this issue.

The Cariboo Election.

The day for the nomination of a candidate for the Cariboo election has been fixed upon, and on Wednesday the 31st inst. the time will elapse. Should a poll be required, it will be held on Wednesday, the 14th of January.

After the Storm.

"After the storm comes a calm." The old adage was again exemplified today. Yesterday was rough and tempestuous, but this morning was delightful. Sunshine, calm and warmth took the place of gales, cold and rain. The change was appreciated, too.

Too Large a Stock.

Lange & Co.'s eastern agent, through a mistake, sent them more goods than they ordered. Not having room to display or to store, the surplus amount of goods on hand, they will sell them for almost cost for the next two weeks, so as to dispose of them as quickly as possible. n26-1m

Accepted Nomination.

Mr. Joseph Hunter has accepted the candidature for aldermanic honors in James Bay, and is looked upon with general favor. If he be elected, many old heads say it will be the right man in the right place. Mr. Hunter has a technical knowledge which ought to qualify him for the position.

The Deadwood Mine.

J. A. Whittier arrived down from Lillooet Wednesday evening, and is a guest of his brother for the winter. Mr. Whittier has been engaged in the Deadwood mine during the season just closed, and says that the results so far have been highly gratifying. A report will be drawn up and submitted to a meeting of the stock-holders in the course of a few days.

"A Big Thing."

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Victoria West.

A holiday entertainment will be given by the officers and friends of the Victoria West Sunday school in the Methodist church at that place on Tuesday evening next, the 30th instant. An interesting programme, to be rendered by juveniles and adults, has been prepared. Refreshments will be served during the evening, and presents will be distributed to the children. Admission 25 cents. A very enjoyable time is anticipated.

The Home Remembered.

The Chinese Rescue Home presented an animated scene during the whole of the afternoon the day before Christmas, and until a late hour in the evening, rendered so by the visit of from forty to fifty of the kind-hearted ones of Victoria. The occasion of the day was an "at home" given by the local auxiliary of the Woman's Missionary Society in connection with the Methodist church of Canada, aided by the handsome responses of the Pandora street congregation. Presents both useful and ornamental, came all the way on the one hand from the furthest west, and on the other from the "far east," represented by the Chinese Christians of this city. In this way the matrons as well as their wards were remembered by friends old and new, far and near. The day was closed by songs and prayers in harmony with the occasion, and as the visitors one after another closed the door after them, those in the "home" felt that kind words had been said and good deeds done that shall greatly cheer them on their way.

Nella Brown Pond.

The Victoria Theatre should be crowded this evening when Mrs. Nella Brown-Pond, the favorite reader, makes her debut to a Victoria audience. The lady is pronounced by all the leading papers of the East as a leading feature of the Star course of entertainments, and she must in consequence be well worth hearing. She comes commended by such notables as Rev. Dr. Talmage, and has also among favorable notices one of recommendation by Henry Ward Beecher. The Buffalo and New York Courier says of her: "Mrs. Nella Brown-Pond has just closed the reading of an Indian story, two hours in length. As no building was large enough to accommodate the people, she had to contend with the currents of air sweeping through the amphitheatre, which taxed her strength severely. In her way she is the brightest and most versatile genius which ever occupied the Chautauqua platform." The programme tonight is:

Piano Solo—Sallarelle ..... Clark
Lida J. Low.
Recitations—Magdalena, or the Spanish Dog ..... Waller
Awfully Lovely Philosophy
The Low Backed Carr ..... Lover
Pauline Pavlovna ..... T. B. Aldrich
Nella Brown-Pond.
Piano Solo—Mazurka ..... Godard
Lida J. Low.
Recitals—Budge's Version of the Flood ..... Haberton
An Easter Sunday ..... Nym Crinkle
Rehearsing for Private Theatricals ..... Brooklyn Eagle
Nella Brown-Pond.

Dr. Bredemeyer's Certificate.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE NEWS-ADVERTISER:

SIR,—As my name is used in connection with those gold watches more than I like, and may lead the public to form a wrong idea, both of myself and those watches, I am compelled to violate the rules of our profession and publish herewith all facts connected with the affair: No. 1—Watch No. 63937, one half part of one cover of watch; assay of whole 14-3 karat fine; assay of outside lining of gold case, 14 karat, fine as deep as the marks of the file used. No. 2—Watch No. 39081 case all through 14 karat fine. No. 3—Watch No. 37211 case all through 13 karat fine. Having been honored and trusted by my fellow citizens in every respect, ever since I settled amongst them, it is but fair that I continue in my profession to see fair dealing between buyer and seller in the mineral department. Respectfully,

W. BREDEMEYER.

Vancouver, Nov. 29, 1890.

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SATURDAY NEXT, 27th INST.

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W. R. CLARKE, Auctioneer.

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I am instructed by the administrator, J. C. Prevost, Esq., to sell by public auction, at the sale room, Store street, opposite the E. & N. Railway depot, on

MONDAY, 9th FEB.

AT 12 O'CLOCK NOON,

by order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, all those pieces or parcels of land marked and numbered on the official map, and described as follows, viz:

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WEATHER REPORT.

The following is the weather report compiled by Mr. F. C. Gamble, C. E., for the 48 hours ending at 1 p.m. to-day.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 25, 1890.

	Thermter	Barometer	Wind.	Remarks.
25				
1 p.m	46.0	29.51	SW	Part clear
6 p.m	46.0	29.30	"	Cloudy
10 p.m	44.0	29.36	"	"
26				
4 a.m	42.0	29.93	S E	Cloudy
1 p.m	46.0	29.99	NE	"

Temperature—Highest, 48; lowest, 41.
Rain 0.01 inches.

Victoria, B. C. Dec. 25, 1890.

24—10 p.m.	45.0	29.74	NE	Overcast
6p.m.	45.0	29.62	NE by N	"
10p.m.	45.0	29.51	"	Raining
25—6a.m.	45.0	29.22		"
1p.m.	46.0	29.51		Pt clear.

Temperature—Highest, 48 lowest, 42.
Rain 0.62 inch.
Velocity of wind between 8 a.m. and 8 a. m., 26th Dec., 53 miles per hour.

NOTICE.

Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway.

Until further notice the afternoon trains on Saturdays and Mondays are cancelled.

Bark Ashore at Cape Flattery.

It is reported by a fisherman arriving in from the straits to-day, that a large iron bark is ashore at Cape Flattery. The news is very meagre, as when the fisherman left there the sea was too heavy and the wind too high for the little boat to get near to gather particulars of the wreck, when she was sighted last night. It is thought perhaps the wreck may be that of one of the salmon ships just cleared from here.

Very Quiet.

There was a very quiet wedding celebrated at the residence of Mrs. Jackson, Work estate, last evening by Rev. P. Jenns, Miss Margaret Jackson, daughter of the late E. H. Jackson, of this city, having been united in marriage to James McEthenny of Brockville, Ont. The bride is well known in this city, and her many friends are wishing her a happy journey through life. Only the relatives of the principals were present.

All Discharged.

Four stray drunks, who had been found around the streets while Christmas was drawing to an end, appeared in the police court this morning, when his honor decided that there might be some excuse for being drunk on Christmas and accordingly he discharged them with a caution to mend their ways on New Years and in future lead a life of sobriety.

Geo. Gray, who was charged on Wednesday with breaking into a store on Johnson street, was also discharged, as it turned out that the cause of his bad doings was whiskey and spending Christmas day in the lockup was sufficient punishment.

The Last Rites.

The funeral of the late Fred. Paine took place this afternoon, the remains being followed to the grave by a large body of Foresters, of which order the deceased was a prominent member, he having been the first charter member of the first court instituted in this city, his name being the first on the roll. Rev. Donald Fraser conducted the services. The pallbearers were, J. D. Campbell, G. H. Cavin, H. Waller, J. Levy, G. Webb and R. Godding. Besides the members of the order many old friends and acquaintances of the late Mr. Paine followed the bearse to the grave.

Winter Court, H.B. Co.

The general winter court of the Hudson's Bay Co. was held in London on December 19th, at which the usual business falling to this meeting was transacted. It will be remembered that at the meeting in July a proposition to duplicate the shares was brought forward by Mr. McLean. In conformity with this resolution the board have considered the question, and now state that they agree with the proposal to give the proprietors the option of duplicating their shares upon the principle laid down by the select committee of the House of Commons. The board have been advised that a supplemental charter must be applied for in order to give effect to this proposition, and they have accordingly taken steps to ascertain the terms on which the charter can be obtained. The matter is being pushed forward with all reasonable expedition.

The Orphans.

While preparing for their own good time at Christmas, the citizens and residents of the suburbs of Victoria had not forgotton that in a house on Kane street there were a number of little orphans who have no relatives to take care of them. Therefore the inmates of the Protestant Orphan's Home were made as happy as other little children yesterday. A splendid Xmas dinner was served at noon, and the happy little orphans were well looked after. This evening will, however, be the event of the year, a large Christmas tree having been prepared and the ladies' committee are busy loading it down with presents of all kinds. Prizes will also be awarded to little ones for good behavior, etc., and the children will be made to forget their sorrows. A number of ladies and gentlemen have been invited to be present at 7 o'clock and spend a pleasant hour seeing the children enjoy themselves.

Mothers!

Castoria is recommended by physicians for children teething. It is a purely vegetable preparation, its ingredients are published around each bottle. It is pleasant to the taste and absolutely harmless. It relieves constipation, regulates the bowels, quiets pain, cures diarrhœa and wind colic, allays feverishness, destroys worms, and prevents convulsions, soothes the child and gives it refreshing and natural sleep. Castoria is the children's panacea—the mothers' friend. 35 doses, 35 cents.

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CHRISTMAS CAKES, Eastern and Olympian Oysters, well cooked meals as usual, prompt attendance and moderate prices. Steitz's Restaurant, 54 Yates street.

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Parties about to select a piano, will find the Newcombe is to be placed in competition against any instrument in the market. Organs in great variety at T. W. Fletcher, agent, 37 Fort St.

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JOHN PARTRIDGE.

A Christmas Blanket.

The young colt at the Tiger fire hall was the recipient, Christmas morning, of a fine new blanket, with the word "Baby" in red letters affixed to each side. The covering is soft and warm, and is duly appreciated by the little animal who will be made more comfortable thereby.

How He Spent Christmas.

Bob, a Seattle Indian, spent Christmas in jail, having been arrested Wednesday night for being drunk. He was charged in the provincial police court this morning before Mr. Johnstone, S. M., and fined five dollars and five dollars costs.

Fire.

Shortly before 5 o'clock on Christmas Day a fire was discovered in the cupola of the telephone office, Trounce alley. The young lady attendant telephoned the fire department. The blaze was extinguished by the men on duty without ringing in a general alarm. The fire was caused by crossed wires.

A Tynesider's Banquet.

The Tynesider's of Victoria and their friends will sit down to a banquet at the Poodle Dog this evening. This is the first reunion of the "Geordies" in Victoria, and will in all likelihood be the forerunner of many more social gatherings of the same sort. Mr. J. W. Meldram has been very energetic in making arrangements for the event tonight, and there is no doubt but what a very pleasant time will be had.

Sober Victorians.

Christmas was evidently very rationally enjoyed by the people of Victoria, which speaks for the morality and law abiding character of the residents. The remark was passed this morning by a gentleman on the wharves that all the teams turned out at the regular hour to handle the piles of freight which had accumulated during the past 48 hours, not a man was absent from his post. The same story holds good in the shops, warehouses and factories. All hands are at work, and the pleasant faces and generally rested appearance denotes that no excessive revelling had been indulged in. A paucity of arrests by the police was also a feature of the general tone of the city.

A Musical Event.

Monday and Wednesday next the Swedish Octette (eight ladies from Stockholm) will give two concerts at the Victoria Opera House. The following is an extract from the Manitoba Free Press, Wnnipeg: A chorus composed entirely of female voices is almost an unheard-of thing in Winnipeg, and the effects produced by the blending of the carefully modulated voices in the octettes and quartettes is delightful. The soloists were all favored with recalls, Miss Amelia Heden, the possessor of a phenominally deep contralto voice being a decided favorite with the audience." All who have not heard them should embrace the opportunity of hearing novel music delightfully discoursed. The box plan is now open at C. A. Lombard & Co.'s, Government street.

The Convicts' Christmas.

Even the prisoners in the Provincial jail were reminded of the fact that yesterday was Christmas, the first intimation that they had not been forgotten being fried chops for breakfast, after which Jailer Muldoon handed each man a cigar and a third of a plug of tobacco. The smoking was a treat, but the dinner almost stupefied the convicts, for among the number who are behind the bars some did not know until yesterday what a decent dinner was. Roast beef and mashed potatoes were followed by one pound of plum duff for each man and three apples to finish up on. The table had been so well supplied that breakfast this morning was a reminder of the good time yesterday. Doctor Helmcken made his annual donation of confectionary to the jail and each prisoner had a bounteous supply.

The World Enriched.

The facilities of the present day for the production of everything that will conduce to the material welfare and comfort of mankind are almost unlimited and when Syrup of Figs was first produced the world was enriched with the only perfect laxative known, as it is the only remedy which is truly pleasing and refreshing to the taste and prompt and effectual to cleanse the system gently in the Spring time or, in fact, at any time and the better it is known the more popular it becomes.

Guessing Match.

To induce cash trade, Lange & Co., will have another guessing match this year. The gifts given are very elegant and valuable. There will be nine presents.

1st prize—Gent's Gold Watch.
2nd " —Gent's Diamond Ring.
3rd " —Lady's Gold Watch.
4th " —A Silver Tea Set, 4 pieces, engraved.
5th " —A Silver Tea Set, 4 pieces, plain.
6th " —Diamond Scarf Pin.
7th " —Silver Water Pitcher.
8th " —Silver Jewel Case.
9th " —Spoon Holder and ½ doz., Teaspoons.

The nearest guess to the number of shot in the bottle now on view in our store will receive 1st prize; second nearest 2nd prize and so on. One guess will be allowed for every $5 worth of goods purchased. The shot will be counted by a disinterested committee of three on New Year's day; when the prizes will be awarded.

PASSENGERS.

Per Steamer Olympian from the Sound—R W Barkley, Miss Curts, M J Cunningham, E L Payton, H A Day, N McLeod, Miss Stanley, M Fedon, O N Johnson, J Hunt, H McClure, H Hill, J Conlan, J Evans, J Nesey, Sam Martin, W Smith, J P Fraser, E Nelson, J Irwin, Son Sue, Quie Lim, Ah Wing.

Per Str. City of Kingston from the Sound—H A Thomas, Miss Arkley, H Griffiths, T McDonald and wife, W Mollette, Mrs Pond, Miss Lowe, A J Clark, M Cuple, G H Park, C Paterson, J McGregor, daughter and wife, S W Blasde, J McGinty, A Gillilan, J Wright.

CONSIGNEES.

Per Str. City of Kingston from the Sound—Cowan & Wilson, John Weiler, H Croft, Campbell & Anderson, J P Burgess, T S Tait, Yale & Brooks, Geo Thompson, Edgar Marvin.

MARRIED.

McETHUNNEY—JACKSON—In this city, on Thursday, December 25th, at the residence of the bride's mother, by the Rev. Mr. Jenns, Jas. McEthunney, of Brockville, Ontario, to Margaret, second daughter of the late E. H. Jackson.

Portland, Oregon, papers please copy.

DIED.

FEE—In this city, on Christmas eve, David Findlay Fee, a native of San Francisco, California, aged 28 years.

The funeral will take place on Sunday at 2 o'clock from his parents residence, North Park street, and at 2:30 p.m. from St. Andrew's Cathedral. Friends are invited to attend.

ROWLAND—In this city, on the 26th inst., Alfred George, the infant son of J. W. and E. Rowland, aged 7 weeks.

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NOTICE.

THE MEMBERS of Victoria Division, No. 2, K. of P., are requested to meet at Foresters' Hall, Government street, at one o'clock Sunday, in parade dress, to attend the funeral of our late Brother, David F. Fee, jun.

H. F. W. BEHNSEN, Captain.
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Funeral Notice.

MEMBERS of Sogher's Council, No. 85, Young Men's Institute, are requested to meet at their rooms, Yates street, on Sunday next, at 1 o'clock p.m., to attend the funeral of our late Brother, David F. Fee, jun.

THOMAS DEASY, President.
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To the Electors of Cariboo District.

GENTLEMEN—Having been nominated by a vote of 19 to 1 for the vacant place in the electoral district of Cariboo by a public meeting convened at the 150 Mile House for the purpose of choosing a man to represent the district, I have the honor to request your votes at the coming election.

If elected I go into the House untrammelled by pledges, believing that a member's usefulness is much impaired by pledging support before knowing what the policy of either party will be. The shortness of the time before election will prevent my visiting the whole district, but I will advocate the following measures as of prime necessity:—

(1) A Railway connecting the mines with the lower country.

(2) The Royalty Clause in the recent Railway Bill, I disapprove of, and would repeal.

(3) A bridge over the Fraser connecting the Chilcoten Country with the wagon road.

(4) The opening of the eastern section by a wagon road to the Forks.

(5) The establishment of a ferry over the Fraser at Quesnelle.

(6) The support of the Reduction works on a liberal basis by the government, so as to enable miners and prospectors to test their ledges.

(7) The remodelling of the mining laws so as to enable ground held by speculators to be worked.

(8) I would be in favor of having a surgeon or physician as a permanent resident aided by government, in the lower part of the district.

Hoping to be able to see most of the electors personally and to discuss local requirements before election day I respectfully solicit your votes.

ROBERT BORLAND.
150 Mile House, December 20 1890. d26-31-w

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DRAWING.

The great fifty prize drawing at Russell, McDonald & Co.'s takes place at 8 p.m., on the 26th instant.

You are all invited to attend.

Tickets issued until the hour of drawing.

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A FORTUNE.

Wishing to retire from business after thirty years in the Tobacco line, twenty-five years of the above time in the "Adelphi Corner." My stock and Good-will is for sale. Without you have $2000 in cash you need not apply.

FRANK CAMPBELL.
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A. O. F.

MEMBERS OF COURT VANCOUVER, No. 5736, are requested to meet at their Hall on Friday, December 26th, at 2.15 p.m., to attend the funeral of our late Brother, F. Paine. Members of sister lodges cordially invited.

L. WILSON, Secretary.
Dec. 24.

NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at the next session for an Act extending the powers of the Crow's Nest & Kootenay Lake Railway Company, and enabling the said Company to construct, equip, operate and maintain a line of railway from a point on the Lower Kootenay River, at or near its junction with Goat River, thence to the Columbia River in the neighborhood of Fort Sheppard, with a branch line to Nelson via Salmon River, and from the Columbia River by way of Grayson Lake and Similkameen River to Hope; thence following the south side of the Fraser River to a convenient point for crossing to New Westminster and a convenient terminal point on Burrard Inlet, with power to build branch lines not exceeding 20 miles in length, and that Sections 6, 7 and 13 of the Crow's Nest & Kootenay Lake Railway Company Act, 1888, may be amended by increasing the capital and borrowing power of the Company, and to change the name of the said Company to "The British Columbia Southern Railway Company."

CHARLES WILSON,
Solicitor for Applicants.
Dated the 11th day of December, A.D. 1890.
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NOTICE.

IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ON AND after this date any debts contracted by Henry Price or any other person without my signature I will not be responsible for it.

RICHARD PRICE.
Parson's Bridge, Dec. 20, 1890. dec20-1w